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GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MEETING OF MONDAY, APRIL 25, 1864.

President—Dr. George Burrows.

The Royal College of Physicians of London . . .	Dr. James Alderson.
The Royal College of Surgeons of England	James Moncrieff Arnott, Esq.
The Apothecaries' Society of London	George Cooper, Esq.
The University of Oxford . .	Dr. Henry Wentworth Acland.
The University of Cambridge .	Dr. George Edward Paget.
The University of Durham . .	Dr. Dennis Embleton.
The University of London . .	Dr. John Storrar.
The Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh . .	Dr. Alexander Wood.
The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh	Dr. Andrew Wood.
The Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow . . .	Dr. John Gibson Fleming.
The Universities of Aberdeen and Edinburgh	James Syme, Esq.
The Universities of Glasgow and St. Andrew's . . .	Dr. Allen Thomson.

The King and Queen's College of Physicians in Ireland .	Dr. Aquilla Smith.
The Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland	William Hargrave, Esq.
The Apothecaries' Hall of Ireland	Dr. Charles Henry Leet.
The University of Dublin . .	Dr. James Apjohn.
The Queen's University in Ireland	Dr. John Dominic Corrigan.

Dr. William Sharpey.
Dr. Richard Quain.
Henry Wyldbore Rumsey, Esq.
Dr. Edmund Alexander Parkes.
Dr. Robert Christison.
Dr. William Stokes.

Nominated by Her Majesty, with the advice of Her Privy Council.

Dr. Francis Hawkins, *Registrar.*

(*No.* 58.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, MONDAY, APRIL 25, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President*, in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.	Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. ARNOTT.	Mr. HARGRAVE.
Mr. COOPER.	Dr. LEET.
Dr. ACLAND.	Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. PAGET.	Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. EMBLETON.	Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. STORRAR.	Dr. PARKES.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.	Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.	Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. FLEMING.	Dr. CHRISTISON.
Mr. SYME.	Dr. STOKES.
Dr. THOMSON.	

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar*.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following Committees were appointed :

BUSINESS COMMITTEE.

Dr. Andrew Wood, *Chairman.*

Dr. Embleton.

Dr. Corrigan.

Mr. Rumsey.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Dr. Sharpey, *Chairman.*

Mr. Arnott.

Dr. Fleming.

Dr. Aquilla Smith.

Dr. Quain.

COMMITTEE on RETURNS received from the BODIES in SCHEDULE (A).

Dr. Embleton, *Chairman.*

Mr. Cooper.

Dr. Thomson.

Dr. Leet.

Dr. Apjohn.

Dr. Stokes.

1. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD, and *Seconded* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD:

"That Reporters be admitted to the Meetings of the General Medical Council."

First Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. ACLAND, and *Seconded* by Dr. CHRISTISON:

"That a Committee be appointed to consider, and to report to the present Meeting, the advantages and the disadvantages to the business of the Council which may arise from the admission of Reporters; and to suggest the various ways in which (should the Council resolve to introduce them) they might be admitted to the Council, Branch Councils, or Committees."

Second Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. THOMSON, and *Seconded* by Mr. COOPER:

"That the Council deem it expedient and desirable that their proceedings should be published, and that a Committee be forthwith appointed to consider and report upon the best means of accomplishing this object."

The Second Amendment was put to the Vote, and the numbers were found to be equal for and against it.

The PRESIDENT then gave his casting Vote in favour of the Amendment.

(*No.* 59.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President*, in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.	Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. ARNOTT.	Mr. HARGRAVE.
Mr. COOPER.	Dr. LEET.
Dr. ACLAND.	Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. PAGET.	Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. EMBLETON.	Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. STORRAR.	Dr. PARKES.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.	Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.	Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. FLEMING.	Dr. CHRISTISON.
Mr. SYME.	Dr. STOKES.
Dr. THOMSON.	

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar*.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. Dr. Thomson presented the following Report from the Committee appointed to consider the Best Means of Publishing the Proceedings of the Council.

REPORT.

The Committee on Publication of the Proceedings of the Council, met this day, and having considered the matter remitted to them by the Council, agreed by a majority to adopt the following Resolutions, and directed the Chairman to lay these Resolutions before the Council as the Report of the Committee.

1. That Reporters be admitted to the Meetings of the Council.
2. That a Special Reporter be engaged by the Council to prepare a Report of the Proceedings.
3. That the Council reserve the power of withholding the privilege of admission to Reporters, whenever the Council may think fit.

ALLEN THOMSON,
Chairman.

Moved by Dr. Thomson; *Seconded* by Mr. Hargrave; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report be received."

Moved by Dr. Thomson, and *Seconded* by Dr. Stokes:

"That the Report be adopted."

Amendment *Moved* by Mr. Syme, and *Seconded* by Dr. Andrew Wood:

"That the Council proceed to consider the Resolutions contained in the Report separately."

The Amendment was *Carried.*

Moved by Mr. Syme, and *Seconded* by Dr. Andrew Wood:

"That the First Resolution of the Report be adopted."

Amendment *Moved* by Dr. Alderson, and *Seconded* by Dr. Quain:

"That the Second Resolution of the Report be first considered."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

The Motion was then put to the Vote, and *Carried.*

Moved by Dr. A. Smith; *Seconded* by Mr. Arnott; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Second Resolution of the Report be adopted."

Moved by Dr. A. Smith; *Seconded* by Mr. Arnott; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Third Resolution of the Report be adopted."

Moved by Dr. Parkes; *Seconded* by Dr. Fleming; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Business Committee, with the President and the Registrar, be appointed a Committee to carry into effect the foregoing Resolutions."

2. Dr. Christison presented the following Report of the Committee appointed to revise the Standing Orders:

REPORT.

The Standing Orders Committee appointed on the 25th instant, to revise the Standing Orders of the Council, report that they have for the present confined their attention to Articles 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Section III., "Order of Business." They recommend that these articles be repealed, and that the following be substituted:

1. That the Seconder of a Motion may, if he pleases, reserve his speech.

2. That if an Amendment be proposed on a Motion, the Amendment shall be disposed of before any other Amendment shall be moved.

3. That such Amendment shall first be put to the vote; that if it be negatived, a second Amendment may be moved, and shall be disposed of in the same way as the first Amendment; and so on until no further Amendment shall be proposed.

4. That should every Amendment be negatived, the original Motion shall then be put to the vote.

5. That if any Amendment be carried, it shall then be put as a substantive Motion, and treated, as to further Amendments, and the right of speaking on it, in all respects as an original Motion.

Moved by Dr. Christison; *Seconded* by Dr. Storrar; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report be received."

Moved by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. PARKES; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Resolutions of the Report of the Committee on Standing Orders be considered *seriatim.*"

Moved by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; *Seconded* by Mr. ARNOTT; and *Agreed to:*

"That the First Resolution of the Report of the Committee on Standing Orders be adopted."

Moved by Mr. ARNOTT; and *Seconded* by Dr. STORRAR:

"That the Second Resolution of the Report be adopted."

Amendment *Moved* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD, and *Seconded* by Mr. SYME:

"That the present Standing Orders, in regard to the number of Amendments that may be moved on any Motion, be not altered."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

The Motion was then put to the Vote, and *Carried.*

Moved by Dr. STORRAR; *Seconded* by Mr. ARNOTT; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Third Resolution be adopted."

Moved by Dr. STORRAR, *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Fourth Resolution be adopted."

Moved by Mr. HARGRAVE; *Seconded* by Mr. ARNOTT; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Fifth Resolution be adopted."

3. *Moved* by Mr. ARNOTT; *Seconded* by Dr. PAGET; and *Agreed to:*

"That the number of Members of the Executive Committee be confined to four, exclusive of the President."

Moved by Mr. ARNOTT; *Seconded* by Mr. SYME; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Members of the Executive Committee shall be elected by Ballot, by means of Marked Lists."

4. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Claims of Messrs. SPOTTISWOODE, referred to the General Council by the Executive Committee, be now referred to the Finance Committee, to be reported on by them."

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,
President.

(*No.* 60.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President*, in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.
Mr. ARNOTT.
Mr. COOPER.
Dr. ACLAND.
Dr. PAGET.
Dr. EMBLETON.
Dr. STORRAR.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.
Dr. FLEMING.
Mr. SYME.
Dr. THOMSON.
Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. HARGRAVE.
Dr. LEET.
Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. PARKES.
Dr. QUAIN.
Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. CHRISTISON.
Dr. STOKES.

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar*.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. *Moved* by Dr. QUAIN; *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE; and *Agreed to:*

"That a Committee be appointed to Consider and Report on the Arrangements to be made for producing the next Edition of the *British Pharmacopœia.*"

The Committee to consist of—

Dr. CHRISTISON, *Chairman.*
Dr. ACLAND.
Dr. ALDERSON.
Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. A. SMITH.

2. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR; *Seconded* by Dr. SHARPEY; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Council do now resolve itself into a Committee on Education."

3. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR; *Seconded* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That the President be requested to take the Chair, and preside over the Committee."

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1. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR, and *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE:

"That the Committee proceed to consider, one by one, the Recommendations of the Council, relating to General and Professional Education and Examination."

Amendment *Moved* by Mr. SYME, and *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD:

"That the Committee do now proceed to consider the whole subject of Medical Education and Examination, with the view of preparing a Report for the guidance of Licensing Bodies."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

The Motion was then put to the Vote, and *Carried.*

2. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR, and *Seconded* by Dr. SHARPEY:

"That the First Recommendation, viz.: 'That all Students pass an Examination in General Education before they commence their Professional Studies,' be adopted."

Amendment *Moved* by Dr. ACLAND, and *Seconded* by Dr. PAGET:

"That the First Resolution stand as follows: 'That all Students pass an Examination on subjects to be included under the head of General Education prior to the date from which the commencement of their Professional Studies is to be reckoned.'"

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

The Motion was then put to the Vote, and *Carried.*

3. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR, and *Seconded* by Dr. SHARPEY:

"That the Second Resolution be adopted, viz.:

'That the time of commencing Professional Studies shall be understood to be the time of commencing Studies at a Medical School; and that no Qualifying Body be held to have complied with the recommendation of the Council which shall allow the Examination in General Education to be passed after the commencement of Professional Study.'"

Amendment, *Moved* by Mr. ARNOTT, and *Seconded* by Dr. A. SMITH:

"That 'the time of commencing Professional Studies shall be understood to be the time of commencing Studies at a Medical School,' be transferred to the Recommendations on Professional Education."

The Amendment was *Carried.*

Amendment, *Moved* by Mr. ARNOTT, and *Seconded* by Dr. ACLAND:

"That the concluding paragraph of the Second Recommendation, viz.: 'That no Qualifying Body be held to have complied with the recommendation of the Council which shall allow the Examination in General Education to be passed after the commencement of Professional Study,' be omitted."

The Amendment was *Carried.*

4. *Moved* by Dr. PARKES, and *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE:

"That Testimonials of Proficiency granted by the National Educational Bodies, according to the subjoined List, may be accepted, the Council reserving the right to add to, or take from, the List."

'1. A Degree in Arts of any University of the United Kingdom, or of the Colonies, or of such other Universities as may be specially recognized from time to time by the Medical Council.

2. Oxford Responsions or Moderations

3. Cambridge Previous Examinations.

4. Matriculation Examination of the University of London.
5. Oxford Middle Class Examinations (Senior).
6. Cambridge Middle Class Examinations (Senior).
7. Durham Middle Class Examinations (Senior).
8. Durham Examinations for Students in Arts, in their second and first years.
9. Durham Registration Examination for Medical Students.
10. Dublin University Entrance Examination.
11. Queen's University, Ireland, Two Years' Arts Course for the Diploma of Licentiate in Arts.
12. Preliminary Examinations at the end of A.B. Course.
13. Middle Class Examinations.
14. Matriculation Examinations.
15. First Class Certificate of the College of Preceptors.
16. "Testamur" granted by Codrington College, Barbadoes.
17. Degree of Associate of Arts granted by the Tasmanian Council of Education, with a Certificate that the Student has been examined in Latin and Mathematics.'

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. Corrigan, and *Seconded* by Mr. Rumsey:

"That Testimonials of Proficiency granted by the National Educational Bodies according to the List contained in the Third Recommendation, be accepted, provided that the Examinations conducted by those Bodies comprise at least the following subjects:

English,

Greek,

Latin,

Mathematics,

Arithmetic to the end of Decimal Fractions,

One Modern Language."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD, and *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD:

> "That a Minimum Standard of Preliminary Education and Examination shall be fixed by the Council; that Testimonials of Proficiency granted by the National Educational Bodies may be admitted, provided the Council deem the education required by them to be sufficient; and that a Sub-Committee be appointed, to prepare a Minimum Standard to be submitted to the Council for its consideration."

At Six o'clock, the Meeting of the General Committee was adjourned.

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,
President.

(*No.* 61.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President*, in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.	Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. ARNOTT.	Mr. HARGRAVE.
Mr. COOPER.	Dr. LEET.
Dr. ACLAND.	Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. PAGET.	Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. EMBLETON.	Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. STORRAR.	Dr. PARKES.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.	Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.	Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. FLEMING.	Dr. CHRISTISON.
Mr. SYME.	Dr. STOKES.
Dr. THOMSON.	

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar*.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR; *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Council do now resolve itself into a Committee on Education."

2. *Moved* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. STORRAR; and *Agreed to:*

"That the President be requested to take the Chair, and preside over the Committee."

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1. The Committee resumed the consideration of the Amendment *Moved,* at the last Meeting, by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD, and *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD, viz.:

"That a Minimum Standard of Preliminary Examination shall be fixed by the Council; that Testimonials of Proficiency granted by the National Educational Bodies may be admitted, provided the Council deem the education required by them to be sufficient; and that a Sub-Committee be appointed, to prepare a Minimum Standard to be submitted to the Council for its consideration."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

The original Motion, *Moved,* at the last Meeting, by Dr. PARKES, and *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE, was then put to the Vote, and *Carried,* viz.:

"That Testimonials of Proficiency granted by the National Educational Bodies according to the subjoined List, may be accepted, the Council reserving the right to add to, or take from, the List."

1. A Degree in Arts of any University of the United Kingdom, or of the Colonies, or of such other Universities as may be specially recognized from time to time by the Medical Council.
2. Oxford Responsions or Moderations.
3. Cambridge Previous Examinations.
4. Matriculation Examination of the University of London.
5. Oxford Middle Class Examinations (Senior).
6. Cambridge Middle Class Examinations (Senior).
7. Durham Middle Class Examinations (Senior).
8. Durham Examinations for Students in Arts, in their second and first years.
9. Durham Registration Examination for Medical Students.
10. Dublin University Entrance Examination.
11. Queen's University, Ireland, Two Years' Arts Course for the Diploma of Licentiate in Arts.
12. Preliminary Examinations at the end of A.B. Course.
13. Middle Class Examinations.
14. Matriculation Examinations.
15. First Class Certificate of the College of Preceptors.
16. "Testamur" granted by Codrington College, Barbadoes.
17. Degree of Associate of Arts granted by the Tasmanian Council of Education, with a Certificate that the Student has been examined in Latin and Mathematics.'

2. *Moved* by Dr. Storrar, and *Seconded* by Mr. Arnott:

"That the Fourth Recommendation of the Council be adopted, viz.:

'That the Examination in General Education be eventually left entirely to the Examining Boards of the National Educational Bodies recognized by the Medical Council.'"

Amendment *Moved* by Dr. Stokes, and *Seconded* by Mr. Syme:

"That with the view of Saving Time, a Sub-Committee be appointed, for the purpose of preparing a Report on the subject of Medical Education, which may form a definite basis for the discussions of the question in the General Council."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

The Motion was then put to the Vote, and *Carried.*

3. *Moved* by Dr. Storrar, and *Seconded* by Dr. Sharpey:

"That the Fifth Recommendation of the Council be adopted, viz.:

'That no Certificate of Proficiency in General Education, which does not affirm the Proficiency of the Candidate in Latin, be deemed a sufficient proof of Preliminary Education previous to the commencement of Professional Studies.'"

Amendment *Moved* by Dr. Corrigan, and *Seconded* by Dr. Apjohn:

"That no Certificate of Proficiency in General Education, which does not affirm an acquaintance with Greek and Latin, be deemed a sufficient proof of Preliminary Education previous to the commencement of Professional Studies."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

The Motion was then put to the Vote, and *Carried.*

4. *Moved* by Dr. Storrar, and *Seconded* by Dr. Sharpey:

"That the Sixth Recommendation be adopted, viz.:

'That Students who cannot produce any of the Testimonials referred to in the Third Resolution, be required to pass an Examination in Arts, established by any of the Bodies named in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act, and approved by the General Council, provided that such Examination be in every case conducted by a Special Board of Examiners in Arts.'"

Amendment *Moved* by Dr. CORRIGAN, and *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE:

"That the Words after 'General Council,' in the fifth line of the Sixth Recommendation be omitted; and that the Recommendation be adopted as thus amended."

The Amendment was *Carried.*

5. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR, and *Seconded* by Dr. SHARPEY.

"That the Seventh Recommendation be adopted, viz.:

'That without professing to lay down any complete scheme of General Education for persons intending to become Members of the Medical Profession, the Committee recommend that the Scheme of Examination in Arts of the Licensing Bodies be, as nearly as practicable, similar to that of any of the National Educational Bodies above specified.'"

This Motion was put to the Vote, and *Negatived.*

6. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR; *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Eighth Recommendation be adopted as follows:

'That all Medical Students be required to be registered.'"

7. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR; *Seconded* by Dr. A. SMITH; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Ninth Recommendation be adopted, viz.:

'That the Lists of Students registered be closed within fifteen days after the commencement of each Session or Term.'"

8. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR; and *Seconded* by Dr. A. SMITH:

"That the Tenth Recommendation be adopted, viz.:

'That no Student beginning Professional Study after September 1861, be registered, who has not passed an Arts Examination, in conformity with Resolutions 3 or 6.'"

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; and *Seconded* by Dr. ACLAND:

"That a Sub-Committee be appointed to consider the best Scheme of Registering Medical Students."

The Amendment was *Carried,* and the following Committee appointed:

Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD, *Chairman.*
Mr. ARNOTT.
Dr. EMBLETON.
Dr. FLEMING.
Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. STOKES.

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,
President.

(*No.* 62.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President*, in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.
Mr. ARNOTT.
Mr. COOPER.
Dr. ACLAND.
Dr. PAGET.
Dr. EMBLETON.
Dr. STORRAR.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.
Dr. FLEMING.
Mr. SYME.
Dr. THOMSON.
Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. HARGRAVE.
Dr. LEET.
Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. PARKES.
Dr. QUAIN.
Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. CHRISTISON.
Dr. STOKES.

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar*.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. *Read*—The following Letter and Correspondence :

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND,
86, *Stephen's Green, Dublin,*
April 18*th*, 1864.

SIR,

I have the honour to enclose, for the information of the General Medical Council, a Copy of a Correspondence between our Institution and the Registrar of the Branch Council, Ireland.

By this it will be seen that we have been recommended by the Branch Council, to make application to the General Medical Council, in order to obtain recognition of our Entrance Examination.

I have also done myself the honour to forward two copies of our Calendar for the present year, by which it will be seen, that our University gives as complete an education as institutions which are recognised by your Council (pp. 48 to 52).

May I beg that you will do us the favour to submit to the Council, our application to have our Entrance Examination recognised by them, and may I hope that the Council will favourably entertain our request?

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) THOMAS SCRATTON,
Sec. Cath. Univ.

Dr. HAWKINS,
Registrar,
32, Soho Square, London, W.

(COPY.)

BRANCH MEDICAL COUNCIL, IRELAND,
35, *Dawson Street, Dublin,*
March 9*th*, 1864.

SIR,

I am directed by this Branch Council to request that you will have the goodness to inform me whether any Students are pursuing their Professional Studies in your Medical School who had not previously passed an Examination in General Education recognised by the General Medical Council; and, if so, that you will be so good as to state their number.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) WM. EDW. STEELE, M.D.,
Registrar.

SECRETARY,
Catholic University,
Stephen's Green South.

(COPY.)

86, *Stephen's Green, S.*
March 18*th*, 1864.

Sir,

In reply to your Letter of the 9th inst., I beg to say that I have learned from the Honorary Secretary of our Medical Faculty, that the information you ask has already been supplied through the Registrar of the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland.

However, in order to guard against some mistakes into which your Council may be led by these formal returns, I am directed further to state, that several of our Medical Students have attained considerable proficiency in General Education, although we have no official mode of knowing whether they have passed an examination recognised by your Central Council. The Authorities of this University are most anxious to advance the General Education of our Medical Students, and will be happy to carry out, as far as possible, the wishes of the General Medical Council, and the Regulations it may make for that purpose. By offering Exhibitions and other advantages, the Rector and University Council have endeavoured to induce the Students in Medicine to matriculate in Arts also, and to attend Lectures in Philosophy and Letters, and in Science.

A large number are now availing themselves of these advantages, and have passed our Entrance Examination; and of that number, eleven have passed the Scholarship (as it is called in this University), or *Responsions*, at the end of their second year of General Studies, while two have passed the B.A. Examination, and several are preparing to pass that Examination in the course of this year.

As it appears from the recent Census returns, that in 1861, of 954 Medical Students in Ireland, 329, or more than one-third, were Catholics, over whom, without doubt, the Catholic Prelates at the head of this institution have considerable influence, the Rector and Council of this University think they may safely say, that a much larger number would enter for General Education could we offer them the inducement of a Degree in Arts or Science recognised by law.

In conclusion, I am directed to send, for the information of your Branch Council, and of the General Medical Council, two copies of our University Calendar for this year, inviting your attention to our Regulations regarding Matriculation and Degrees (pp. 48 to 52). You will there see that even for Entrance into this University we require a know-

ledge of one Greek and one Latin Book from the following list; and also of Arithmetic, Algebra, (as far as simple Equations inclusively), Euclid, &c.

ENTRANCE OR MATRICULATION EXAMINATION.

Each Candidate for Entrance must be recommended by the person who last had the care of his education, and by his Bishop, or by one of the Clergymen of his Parish. He presents himself, in the first place, to the Dean of the House which he wishes to join, or to the Vice-Rector, if he wishes to be an Extern.

Candidates for Entrance will be examined:

1. In the Christian Doctrine.

2. In any one Greek and any one Latin Book, of their own selection, from the following Entrance Lists:

Greek.	Latin.
Herodotus, Book i.	Virgil, Georgics, any two books.
Xenophon's Anabasis.	,, Æneid, any four books.
Plato, Apologia Socratis.	,, Bucolics, with one book of Georgics, or two of Æneid.
Lucian, Walker's Selections.	Horace, Odes, any three books.
Homer's Iliad, Books i. ii. iii.	,, Satires or Epistles.
Sophocles, any play.	Cicero, Select Orations, viz: in Catilinam, i.–iv., pro Milone, pro Lege Maniliâ, and pro Archiâ.
Euripides, any play.	Livy, Books i. ii. iii., or iv. v.

3. They will further be examined in—

Arithmetic.	The Elements of Ancient and Modern History.
Algebra, as far as Simple Equations, inclusively.	The Elements of Modern Geography.
Euclid, Books i. ii.	Latin Prose Composition.
English Composition.	
The Rudiments of French.	

The Degree Examination which we prescribe is as high as that required by other Universities.

We respectfully submit that even the former of these Examinations indicates a state of education fully equal to that recognised by you, and

we therefore respectfully request the General Medical Council to recognise the Examinations presented by this University.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) THOMAS SCRATTON,
Sec. Cath. Univ.

WM. EDW. STEELE, Esq., M.D.,
Registrar,
35, Dawson Street.

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BRANCH MEDICAL COUNCIL, IRELAND,
35, *Dawson Street, Dublin*,
March 21*st*, 1864.

SIR,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th inst., together with two copies of the Calendar of your University, for which latter permit me to offer my thanks.

Referring to the latter part of your letter, in which you apply for the recognition by the Council of the Entrance Examination of the University, I take the liberty of suggesting your applying to the General Medical Council, 32, Soho Square, London, W., the Registrar of which is Dr. Hawkins, on the subject, it being very unlikely that the Branch Council will meet previously to the assembling of the former in London.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) WM. EDW. STEELE, M.D.,
Registrar.

THOMAS SCRATTON, Esq., *Secretary*,
Catholic University, Stephen's Green.

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. STORRAR; and *Agreed to:*

That the following Answer be returned by the Registrar, to the Communication now before the Council:

SIR,

I have laid before the General Medical Council your Letter of the 18th inst., requesting that the Entrance Examination of "The Catholic University of Ireland" should be recognised among the Examinations in Preliminary Education received from the various chartered or incorporated Educational Bodies; and in reply I am directed to request you will have the kindness to transmit to the General Medical Council a copy of the Charter or Act of Incorporation of the "Catholic University."

2. Dr. Christison presented the following Report of the Committee appointed on the 28th April, 1864, relative to the *Pharmacopœia:*

REPORT.

The Committee report—

1. That it is desirable to make further arrangements during the present Session of Council, for preparing the next edition of the *British Pharmacopœia.*

2. That a Committee of the Council be appointed to superintend the preparing for the press, and the editing of the work, and to submit the same to the Council for approval, in proof.

3. That the gentlemen already nominated in London, Edinburgh, and Dublin, for the purpose of reporting from time to time on the improvements in Pharmacy, be requested to continue their services, and that their reports be communicated to the Pharmacopœia Committee of the Council.

4. That an Editor or Editors shall be appointed by the Pharmacopœia Committee, who shall prepare the work, in all its details, under their control.

Moved by Dr. Storrar; *Seconded* by Dr. Christison; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report of the Committee, relative to the *Pharmacopœia,* be received and entered on the Minutes."

3. *Moved* by Dr. Andrew Wood; *Seconded* by Mr. Hargrave; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Council resolve itself into a Committee on Education, and that the President be requested to take the Chair."

1. Dr. Alexander Wood presented the following Report from the Sub-Committee on the best scheme of Registering Medical Students:

REPORT of the SUB-COMMITTEE on REGISTRATION OF MEDICAL STUDENTS.

Your Sub-Committee is of opinion that the Registration of Medical Students, if properly conducted, is a matter of primary importance, as giving security to the Council and the Profession,

1. That every Student has passed an Examination in Arts before commencing his Professional Studies.

2. That the exact date at which a Student has commenced his Professional Studies has been ascertained and Registered, so as to show how far the Recommendations of the Council in these respects have been complied with.

The chief difficulties which past experience has shown to exist, appear to your Committee to be,

1. The want of a sufficient distinction between Students commencing their Studies and those who may be commencing their second, third, or fourth Sessions.

2. The fact that many Students enter at several different Schools at the same time.

Having regard to these difficulties, your Sub-Committee begs to recommend the following Regulations, as at once simple and practical:

1. That the Registration be placed under the charge of the Branch Registrars.

2. That each Student be only once Registered, and that, when he first enrols himself as a Medical Student.

3. That the Registrar of each School of Medicine, or other authorised person, keep a List of all Students entering for the first time at that School, agreeably to the subjoined Form.

4. That the Register at each School be closed within Fifteen Days after the commencement of each Session or Term.

5. That these Lists, as soon as possible thereafter, be transmitted, along with the Certificates of each Student having passed an Arts Examination, to the Branch Registrar of that division of the Kingdom where the School is situated, and that he from them frame an accurate Register of Medical Students of that division of the Kingdom where he has charge.

6. That the Register of Medical Students so prepared by the Registrars, after Examination by the several Branch Councils, be transmitted to the Registrar of the General Council, who shall, under direction of the Executive Committee, print the same in alphabetical order, and supply a copy of this Authorised List to each of the Bodies in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act.

7. That the several Licensing Bodies be requested, after October 1868, to abstain from examining any Candidate for License or Degree whose name does not appear on the Authorised List of Medical Students.

8. That the Branch Councils be desired to take means to make these Regulations known to the Medical Students at the various Medical Schools.

ALEXANDER WOOD,
Chairman.

FORM OF REGISTER OF MEDICAL STUDENTS.

NAME.	Age last Birthday.	Prelim. Examin. and Date.	Date of Registration.	Place of Study.

Moved by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report of the Sub-Committee on Registration of Medical Students be received and entered on the Minutes."

Moved by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Consideration of the Report on the Registration of Medical Students be deferred till after the Discussion of the question of Professional Education."

2. *Moved* by Dr. STORRAR, and *Seconded* by Dr. PAGET:

"That the Seventeenth Recommendation of the Council be adopted, viz:

'That the age of Twenty-one be the earliest age at which any Professional Licence shall be obtained.'"

Amendment, *Moved* by Mr. SYME, and *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD:

"That the Committee proceed to consider the Subjects and Course of Study requisite for a Medical Professional Education."

The Amendment was *Carried.*

3. *Moved* by Mr. Syme, and *Seconded* by Dr. Andrew Wood:

"That the Council proceed to frame a Course of Study for Medical Education, which may be recommended to the Licensing Bodies."

The Debate on this subject not being concluded at Six o'clock, it was *Moved* by Dr. Thomson; *Seconded* by Dr. Parkes; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Committee do now Adjourn."

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,
President.

(*No.* 63.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President*, in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.	Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. ARNOTT.	Mr. HARGRAVE.
Mr. COOPER.	Dr. LEET.
Dr. ACLAND.	Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. PAGET.	Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. EMBLETON.	Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. STORRAR.	Dr. PARKES.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.	Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.	Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. FLEMING.	Dr. CHRISTISON.
Mr. SYME.	Dr. STOKES.
Dr. THOMSON.	

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar*.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Moved by Dr. Thomson; *Seconded* by Dr. Parkes; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Council resolve itself into a Committee on Education, and that the President be requested to take the Chair."

The Debate was resumed on the Motion, which was *Moved* at the last Meeting by Mr. Syme, and *Seconded* by Dr. Andrew Wood, viz.:

"That the Council proceed to frame a Course of Study for Medical Education, which may be recommended to the Licensing Bodies."

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. Thomson, and *Seconded* by Dr. Sharpey:

"That, instead of proceeding to frame a Course of Study for Medical Education, &c., the Council adopt the following Resolution:

"That, viewing with general approval the conditions required by the different Bodies enumerated in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act, of Candidates for a Qualification, the Council do not think it expedient, for the present, to proceed to frame a complete or formal Scheme of Professional Education and Examination. But, in order to indicate the general nature of their views upon this subject, they resolve to communicate the following Recommendations for the guidance of the various Licensing Boards:

"1. That Twenty-one years be the earliest age at which a Professional Licence can be obtained.

"2. That no Licence be obtained at an earlier period than four years after the Registration of the Candidate as a Medical Student.

"3. That the Course of Study required for a Licence shall comprehend not less than four Winter Sessions, or three Winter and two Summer Sessions at a recognised Medical School; and that evidence shall be produced that the remaining period of the four years has been passed in the acquisition of professional knowledge.

"4. That the Professional Examination be divided into at least two parts; that the first of these, embracing the Preparatory Branches of Study, be not undergone before the conclusion of the Second Sessional Year of nine months; and that the Final Examination be not undergone till the completion of the whole prescribed Course of Study, nor at an earlier period than three years and nine months after the commencement of Professional Study.

"5. That the Professional Examinations be conducted partly in writing and partly *vivâ voce;* and in all parts which admit of it, also practically and by demonstrations.

"6. That the Council recommend to the several Licensing Bodies, that the Courses of Instruction required by them severally should be framed in such a manner as to secure a due share of attention, both to the preparatory and to the final, or more strictly practical, branches, and by Class Examinations, and all other means which may be deemed proper, to promote as far as possible the self-culture and useful practical education of those who seek to obtain a Licence. The Council would accordingly suggest to these Bodies, that it is desirable to avoid enforcing attendance upon a large number of Courses of Instruction during the same term of Study, and to arrange the Subjects of Examination in such a manner as will guide the Student in the most approved order of Study.

"7. That the regulation of the extent and duration of Courses of Lectures and Instruction be left to the Authorities of the several Medical Schools; and that in the case of branches of Scientific Study, not purely Professional, which are included in the Curriculum, the scope and extent of attainment required of the Candidates be indicated by means of a published Conspectus of the Subjects of Examination to be issued by the several Examining Boards.

"8. That with a view to secure fairness and efficiency in Examinations, the Council resolve to institute a system of supervision or inspection, to be conducted in the meantime for each division of the country, under the direction of its Branch Council; the results of which supervision are to be reported annually to the General Council."

At a quarter before Six o'clock the Debate was Adjourned.

2. *Moved* by Dr. ACLAND; *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Council resume."

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1. *Moved* by Dr. QUAIN; *Seconded* by Mr. RUMSEY; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report of the Committee on the *Pharmacopœia* be adopted."—(*See* Minutes, No. 62, p. 6.)

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,
President.

(*No.* 64.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, MONDAY, MAY 2, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President,* in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.
Mr. ARNOTT.
Mr. COOPER.
Dr. ACLAND.
Dr. PAGET.
Dr. EMBLETON.
Dr. STORRAR.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.
Dr. FLEMING.
Mr. SYME.
Dr. THOMSON.
Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. HARGRAVE.
Dr. LEET.
Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. PARKES.
Dr. QUAIN.
Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. CHRISTISON.
Dr. STOKES.

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar.*

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. *Moved* by Dr. QUAIN; *Seconded* by Mr. SYME; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Pharmacopœia Committee consist of four Members:

Dr. CHRISTISON, *Chairman.*
Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. QUAIN."

2. *Moved* by Dr. ACLAND; *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Council resolve itself into a Committee on Education, and that the President be requested to take the Chair."

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1. The Debate was resumed on the Motion, which was *Moved* by Mr. SYME at the Meeting of the 29th of April (*see* Minutes, No. 62, p. 10), and *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD, viz.:

"That the Council proceed to frame a Course of Study for Medical Education, which may be recommended to the Licensing Bodies,"

and on the Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. THOMSON, and *Seconded* by Dr. SHARPEY, viz.:

"That, instead of proceeding to frame a Course of Study for Medical Education, &c., the Council adopt the following Resolution:

"That, viewing with general approval the conditions required by the different Bodies enumerated in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act, of Candidates for a Qualification, the Council do not think it expedient, for the present, to proceed to frame a complete or formal Scheme of Professional Education and Examination. But, in order to indicate the general nature of their views upon this subject, they resolve to communicate the following Recommendations for the guidance of the various Licensing Boards:

"1. That Twenty-one years be the earliest age at which a Professional Licence can be obtained.

"2. That no Licence be obtained at an earlier period than four years after the Registration of the Candidate as a Medical Student.

"3. That the Course of Study required for a Licence shall comprehend not less than four Winter Sessions, or three Winter and two Summer Sessions at a recognised Medical School; and that evidence shall be produced that the remaining period of the four years has been passed in the acquisition of professional knowledge.

"4. That the Professional Examination be divided into at least two parts; that the first of these, embracing the Preparatory Branches of Study, be not undergone before the conclusion of the Second Sessional Year of nine months; and that the Final Examination be not undergone till the completion of the whole prescribed Course of Study, nor at an earlier period than three years and nine months after the commencement of Professional Study.

"5. That the Professional Examinations be conducted partly in writing and partly *vivâ voce;* and in all parts which admit of it, also practically and by demonstrations.

"6. That the Council recommend to the several Licensing Bodies, that the Courses of Instruction required by them severally should be framed in such a manner as to secure a due share of attention, both to the preparatory and to the final, or more strictly practical, branches, and by Class Examinations, and all other means which may be deemed proper, to promote as far as possible the self-culture and useful practical education of those who seek to obtain a Licence. The Council would accordingly suggest to these Bodies, that it is desirable to avoid enforcing attendance upon a large number of Courses of Instruction during the same term of Study, and to arrange the Subjects of Examination in such a manner as will guide the Student in the most approved order of Study.

"7. That the regulation of the extent and duration of Courses of Lectures and Instruction be left to the Authorities of the several Medical Schools; and that in the case of branches of Scientific Study, not purely Professional, which are included in the Curriculum, the scope and extent of attainment required of the Candidates be indicated by means of a published Conspectus of the Subjects of Examination to be issued by the several Examining Boards.

"8. That with a view to secure fairness and efficiency in Examinations, the Council resolve to institute a system of supervision or inspection, to be conducted in the meantime for each division of the country, under the direction of its Branch Council; the results of which supervision are to be reported annually to the General Council."

The Amendment was put to the Vote, and *Negatived.*

The original Motion was also *Negatived.*

2. *Moved* by Dr. Storrar, and *Seconded* by Dr. Christison:

"That the Seventeenth Recommendation of the Council be adopted."

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,
President.

(*No.* 65.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, TUESDAY, MAY 3, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President*, in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.	Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. ARNOTT.	Mr. HARGRAVE.
Mr. COOPER.	Dr. LEET.
Dr. PAGET.	Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. EMBLETON.	Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. STORRAR.	Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.	Dr. PARKES.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.	Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. FLEMING.	Mr. RUMSEY.
Mr. SYME.	Dr. CHRISTISON.
Dr. THOMSON.	Dr. STOKES.

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar.*

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. *Moved* by Mr. HARGRAVE, and *Seconded* by Mr. COOPER:

"That the Council resolve itself into a Committee on Education, and that the President be requested to take the Chair."

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. CHRISTISON, and *Seconded* by Dr. STORRAR:

"That the Council do not resolve itself into a General Committee of Education; but that a Select Committee be now appointed for the purpose of considering the Recommendations of the Council on Professional Education, and the various Motions and Notices of Motions as to Education, which have been submitted to the Council, with the view of preparing such a Report on Medical Education as may be presented, and, if approved, passed during the present Session."

The Amendment was *Carried.*

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Mr. SYME; and *Agreed to:*

"That the following be the Select Committee on Education:

Dr. CHRISTISON, *Chairman.*
Mr. ARNOTT.
Dr. PAGET.
Dr. STORRAR.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.
Dr. THOMSON.
Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. PARKES.
Dr. STOKES.

2. *Read*—The following reference to the Branch Councils, made by the General Council on the 3rd June, 1863—(*See* Minutes, vol. ii. p. 244):

"That the Report of the Medical Acts Amendments Committee be forwarded to the Branch Councils for their Observations thereon."

The Observations of the Branch Councils, in pursuance of the foregoing reference, having been read, it was *Moved* by Dr. CORRIGAN; *Seconded* by Dr. A. SMITH; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Observations of the Branch Councils be entered on the Minutes."

BRANCH COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND, MARCH 4TH, 1864.

(*See* Minutes Branch Council for England, No. 20, p. 7.)

Moved by Dr. STORRAR; *Seconded* by Mr. ARNOTT; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Branch Council, having given their attention to the Report of the Medical Acts Amendment Committee, forwarded by the General Council to the Branch Councils for their observations thereon, are of opinion that it is not expedient at the present time, to engage in fresh legislation."

SCOTTISH BRANCH OF GENERAL COUNCIL, APRIL 2ND, 1864.

(*See* Minutes Branch Council for Scotland, No. 29, p. 89).

On the motion of Dr. ANDREW WOOD, it was resolved:

I. That the Branch Council have considered the proposed Amendments on the Medical Act, remitted to them by the Medical Council for their observations thereon.

II. That the Branch Council believe that much of the dissatisfaction of the Medical Profession, with reference to the working of the Medical Act, has arisen from the faulty construction of some parts of that Act.

III. That, in an especial manner, this has been the case regarding two points, viz., 1st, The failure of Clause XL. to carry out its objects of protecting the registered practitioner, and of enabling the public to distinguish between qualified and unqualified practitioners; and 2nd, The insufficiency of Clause XX. as regards provision for the enforcement of the Regulations issued by the Medical Council in reference to Medical Education.

IV. That the Branch Council, without expressing a definitive approval of any of the subjoined Clauses which have been proposed to be sub-

stituted for Clause XL., consider the subject well worthy of the mature consideration of the Medical Council.*

V. That the Branch Council approve of the Clause proposed to be substituted for Clause XX., viz.:—

"It shall be lawful for the General Council to lay down such regulations respecting the Education and Examination of Practitioners in Medicine, Surgery, and Pharmacy, as may appear to them fitted to insure adequate knowledge and skill in the several departments of the Profession; and the said General Council shall then submit said regulations to Her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council. And the said regulations, if sanctioned by the said Privy Council, shall then be obligatory upon all Universities, Colleges, and other Bodies enumerated in Schedule (A) to this Act."

VI. That, in regard to the proposed Clauses for the regulation of Pharmacy, the Branch Council, whilst they consider it very desirable that there should be certain legal regulations as to the sale of drugs in this country, with a view to the safety of the public, think that that object would be best carried out by means of special Statute.

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* Draft I.—"Any person not legally possessing any of the qualifications under Schedule (A) to this Act, who shall profess the practice of Medicine or Surgery, taking or using the name or title of a Physician, Doctor of Medicine, Doctor, Licentiate in Medicine or Surgery, Bachelor of Medicine, Surgeon, General Practitioner or Apothecary, or any name implying that he is a legally qualified Practitioner, shall," etc., etc.

Draft II.—"Any person professing to undertake the treatment or cure of diseases, who shall wilfully and falsely pretend to be, or take or use the name of a Physician, Doctor, Bachelor of Medicine, Surgeon, General Practitioner, or Practitioner in Medicine or Surgery, Apothecary, or any name, title, prefix, addition or description contained in Schedule (A) to this Act, or any other name, title, prefix, addition, or description implying that he is a legally qualified Medical Practitioner, not being possessed of a legal medical qualification which would entitle him to registration, shall, upon a summary conviction for any such offence, pay a sum not exceeding £20."

Draft III.—Clause taken from the New Medical Act for Victoria:—

"On and after the day of 186 , it shall not be lawful for any person, unless registered under this Act, to pretend to be, or take or use the name or title of a Physician, Doctor of Medicine, Licentiate in Medicine or Surgery, Master in Surgery, Bachelor of Medicine, Doctor, Surgeon, Medical or General Practitioner, or Surgeon, Apothecary, or Accoucheur, or Licentiate or Practitioner in Midwifery, or any other Medical or Surgical name or title; and every unregistered person so offending shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding £50, to be recovered in a summary way before any two Justices of the Peace, by any person suing for the same in any Court of Petty Sessions."

VII. That the Branch Council consider that the Medical Council, at their approaching meeting, should take the subject of the Amendment of their Medical Acts into early consideration, with a view to their submitting the result of their deliberations regarding it (should they resolve that legislation is called for) to the Secretary of the Home Department, during the Session of the Council.

IRISH BRANCH OF GENERAL COUNCIL, MARCH 14TH, 1864.

(*See* Minutes Branch Council for Ireland, No. 50, p. 2.)

The Council resumed the consideration of the proposed Amendments of the Medical Act, and altered certain of the Sections as follows :—

PREAMBLE —Omitting the first sentence, to the word "Practitioners," also the words "And" and "moreover," in the following lines. Thus :—

"Whereas it is necessary for the safety and protection of the public, towards securing adequately educated Practitioners in the several Departments of Medicine, Surgery, and Pharmacy: Be it therefore enacted, &c. &c."

SECT. XXIX.—Introducing the words, "Registrar of each Branch," after the word "The" in the first line. Thus :—

"The Registrar of each Branch Council may refuse to register any person who may have been convicted, in England or Ireland, of any felony or misdemeanour, or in Scotland of any crime or offence; and if any registered person shall be so convicted, or shall, after due inquiry, be judged by the General Council to have been guilty of infamous conduct in a professional respect, whether before or after registration, the General Council may, if they see fit, direct the Registrar to erase the name of such person from the Register."

SECT. XL.—Omitting the words, "or Surgeon," between the words "Practitioner" and "Apothecary." Thus :—

"On and after the day of , 186 , it shall not be lawful for any person, unless registered under this Act, to pretend to be, or take or use the name or title of Physician, Doctor of Medicine, Licentiate in Medicine or Surgery, Master in Surgery, Bachelor of Medicine, Doctor, Surgeon, Medical or General Practitioner, Apothecary or Accoucheur, or Licentiate or Practitioner in Midwifery, or any other Medical or Surgical name or title; and every unregistered person so offending shall forfeit and pay a sum not exceeding £20, to be recovered in a summary way before the Justices of the Peace."

RESOLVED,—That the Bill as now amended be adopted, and communicated to the Registrar of the General Council, in accordance with the Resolution of the said Council.

Moved by Dr. Corrigan, and *Seconded* by Dr. Apjohn:

"That the proposed Medical Bill, as amended by the Medical Acts Amendment Committee of last year, be forwarded to our Solicitor, with directions to have it drafted, as soon as possible, and returned to the Executive Committee;

"That the Executive Committee take means to have the Bill so drafted laid on the table of the House of Commons, at the commencement of next Session of Parliament;

"That a Copy of the Bill so drafted be forwarded without delay by the Executive Committee to the Branch Councils, to the several Bodies enumerated in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act, to the Pharmaceutical Society, and the Press; so that all parties concerned may have ample opportunity, in the interval between publication of the Draft Bill and next meeting of Parliament, of considering the Bill, and of suggesting such Amendments as they may desire;

"That the General Medical Council meet at as early a period as may be necessary next year, to consider the various Amendments that may be suggested in the interval, in order to insert in the Bill such Amendments as may meet their approbation."

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. Storrar, and *Seconded* by Mr. Arnott:

"That looking to the great diversity of opinion which exists in Great Britain, in regard to the objects which it is desirable to obtain by an Amendment of the Medical Acts, it is not at present expedient that the Council should engage in fresh legislation."

Moved by Dr. Alexander Wood; *Seconded* by Mr. Hargrave; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Debate on the Amendment of the Medical Acts be adjourned until Wednesday, the 4th of May."

3. Dr. Sharpey having presented the Report of the Finance Committee, it was *Moved* by Dr. Sharpey, and *Seconded* by Dr. Paget:

"That the Report be received and entered on the Minutes."

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee beg leave to present, in the Table subjoined, a Statement of the Estimated and Actual Income and Expenditure of the year 1863; also an Estimate of the Income from Ordinary Sources, and of the Expenditure, as far as the Committee are able to judge, for the year 1864. Appended is a Statement of the Pharmacopœia Account, exhibiting the Expense incurred in the preparation and publication of the *British Pharmacopœia*, from the commencement of the undertaking up to the 19th of April, 1864, except some incidental charges, estimated not to exceed £10; also the Number of Copies printed, and the present state of the Sale of the Work, with the Proceeds of the Sale up to the same date.

The sums advanced in former years on account of the Pharmacopœia have been included in the Annual Accounts laid before Parliament, and defrayed, along with the ordinary expenses of those years, by a per-centage rate on the income of the three Branch Councils, as directed by the Medical Act. The Committee recommend that, when all the expenses of the publication shall have been defrayed out of the proceeds of the sale of the work, the surplus be reserved for investment as a Special Fund, available for the purposes of the Pharmacopœia.

The Committee further recommend that £50 be presented to Dr. Garrod in acknowledgment of special services rendered in the publication of the Pharmacopœia, which were undertaken by him at the request of the Executive Committee; also that gratuities be given of £30 to Mr. Bell and £20 to Mr. Roope, the clerks, for extra trouble and efficient service in conducting the sale, by which the charge for publishers' commission is saved to the Council.

The Committee have examined into Messrs. Spottiswoode's account referred to them by the Council. It appears that in February 1862, Messrs. Spottiswoode laid in a stock of new type and the requisite supply of paper for the work, by direction of the Pharmacopœia Committee, on the understanding that the printing would be immediately proceeded with, but that in consequence of the delay which subsequently took place these materials lay long unemployed. Messrs. Spottiswoode estimate at £75 their loss occasioned thereby, and also from the printing being deferred to the busy season of 1863, instead of being done in the summer, as expected. They do not press this charge as a claim, but submit it for equitable consideration, and the Committee recommend that it should be paid. With regard to an extra claim for binding, submitted by Messrs. Spottiswoode, the Committee regret that, after giving it their careful consideration, they do not feel themselves justified in recommending that it should be allowed.

In conclusion, the Committee recommend that Two Members of the Executive Committee be annually appointed to Audit the Accounts of the General Council.

W. SHARPEY,
Chairman.

	Estimated Income for the Year 1863.						Actual Income for the Year 1863.						Estimated Income for the Year 1864.					
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Fees received by—																		
Branch Council for England .	2500	0	0	.	.	.	2729	10	0	.	.	.	2600	0	0			
" " Scotland .	550	0	0	.	.	.	824	10	0	.	.	.	650	0	0			
" " Ireland .	650	0	0	.	.	.	832	15	0	.	.	.	650	0	0			
				3700	0	0				4386	15	0				3900	0	0
Dividends received by—																		
Branch Council for England .	616	0	0	.	.	.	609	0	0	.	.	.	610	0	0			
" " Scotland .	78	0	0	.	.	.	74	1	10	.	.	.	60	0	0			
" " Ireland .	69	0	0	.	.	.	69	17	4	.	.	.	69	0	0			
				763	0	0				752	19	2				739	0	0
Sale of Registers	.	.	.	330	0	0	.	.	.	317	14	0	.	.	.	310	0	0
Penalties	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	9	13	5						
				£4793	0	0				£5467	1	7				£4949	0	0

	Estimated Expenditure for the Year 1863.						Actual Expenditure for the Year 1863.						Estimated Expenditure for the Year 1864.					
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Expenses of—																		
General Council . . .	.	.	.	3068	0	0	.	.	.	*3338	9	11	.	.	.	3350	0	0
Branch Council for England .	580	0	0	.	.	.	†660	11	4	.	.	.	†720	0	0			
" " Scotland .	270	0	0	.	.	.	259	2	3	.	.	.	270	0	0			
" " Ireland .	300	0	0	.	.	.	290	14	1	.	.	.	300	0	0			
				1150	0	0				1210	7	8				1290	0	0
				4218	0	0				4549	7	7				4640	0	0
Balance in favour of Medical Council .				575	0	0				917	14	0				309	0	0
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4. *Read*—The following Letters and Correspondence :

UNITED SOCIETY OF CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS,
20, *New Ormond Street, W.C.*,
London, August 24, 1863.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to inform you that I am instructed by the Executive Committee of the United Society of Chemists and Druggists, to state, that they have appointed a Deputation to wait upon your Honourable Body in relation to the contemplated alterations in the present Medical Act, and to request you will signify at what time and place it may suit your convenience to receive such Deputation; and I have the further honour to be,

Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
C. F. BUOTT,
Secretary.

THE COUNCIL OF MEDICAL EDUCATION
AND REGISTRATION,
32, Soho Square, W.

UNITED SOCIETY OF CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS,
Offices, 20, *New Ormond Street, W C.*,
London, 6th February, 1864.

SIR,

On the 25th August last I received your letter, acknowledging the receipt of one of a previous date from the Executive Committee of this Society, requesting an interview for a Deputation to the General Council of Medical Education and Registration, to urge upon their attention the very injurious nature of certain Clauses in the proposed Amended Medical Act affecting the interests of Chemists and Druggists.

In your reply you informed me that the Council would receive this application of the Committee when they met, but added that a considerable time would elapse before they would be again convened. Not having heard from you since, I presume the Council have not yet resumed their sittings.

In the meantime the Executive of the United Society of Chemists and Druggists have convened Public Meetings, to receive the wishes of the Chemists and Druggists throughout the Kingdom.

At all these Meetings the objectionable Clauses were strongly condemned. At the London Meeting, held at the United Society's Offices, in November last, certain Resolutions were unanimously passed, which I have now the honour to forward through you to the General Council of Medical Education and Registration.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

C. F. BUOTT,

Secretary.

FRANCIS HAWKINS, Esq., M.D., &c., &c.,
Registrar,
General Council of Medical Education
and Registration.

COPY OF RESOLUTIONS unanimously carried at a Public Meeting of Chemists and Druggists, held at the Offices of the UNITED SOCIETY OF CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS, 20, New Ormond Street, W.C., on *Friday, November 27th,* 1863.

Mr. Alderman DAKIN, *President*, in the Chair.

1. That the Chemists and Druggists now assembled recognise the desirability of giving all possible encouragement to scientific and educational qualification for the trade of a Chemist and Druggist, but they consider themselves, in common with their brethren, quite competent to accomplish all needful reform in their own body, and repudiate the 56th and 57th Clauses of the proposed Act of the Medical Council as being unjust in principle and an unwarrantable attempt to interfere with their rights as independent citizens.

2. That an Act of Incorporation, based upon a recognition of existing rights, and subjecting every future Candidate for the trade to an educational test, as suggested by the United Society of Chemists and Druggists, is most desirable, and this Meeting would urge upon the trade the necessity of a combined and determined effort for its attainment.

3. That the proceedings of this Meeting be made known to the Medical Council, with the intimation that the Chemists and Druggists of this country require to be consulted upon any measure affecting their own interests, and that they will accept of no proposal which does not acknowledge the necessity of an incorporation of the entire trade, giving them the right of self-government.

4. That a copy of these Resolutions, together with copies of the objectionable Clauses in the proposed Medical Act, and the suggestions of the United Society of Chemists and Druggists for an incorporation of the trade, be forwarded to the Members of Parliament for the City of London and the Metropolitan Boroughs, requesting them to withhold their support from any measure affecting the interests of Chemists and Druggists which has not been submitted to the judgment of the trade.

Correct Copy of Resolutions certified by Mr. Alderman DAKIN, Chairman of the Meeting, and President of the United Society of Chemists and Druggists.

C. F. BUOTT,
Secretary of the United Society of Chemists and Druggists.

20, New Ormond Street.
February 6th, 1864.

5. *Moved* by Dr. SMITH; *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE; and *Agreed to:*

"That a copy of the Two Volumes of the Minutes of the Medical Council be presented to each of the Universities and Corporations in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act."

6. *Moved* by Mr. ARNOTT; *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES; and *Agreed to:*

"That a copy of the Letters from the Bodies mentioned in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act, explanatory of their Regulations, be presented to each of the Universities and Corporations in Schedule (A)."

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,
President.

(*No.* 66.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President*, in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.
Mr. ARNOTT.
Mr. COOPER.
Dr. ACLAND.
Dr. PAGET.
Dr. EMBLETON.
Dr. STORRAR.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.
Dr. FLEMING.
Mr. SYME.
Dr. THOMSON.
Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. HARGRAVE.
Dr. LEET.
Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. PARKES.
Dr. QUAIN.
Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. CHRISTISON.
Dr. STOKES.

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar*.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. *Read*—The following Memorial, addressed to the General Council of Medical Registration and Education :

We the undersigned Registered Medical Practitioners of Banbury, beg respectfully to call your attention to a consideration of the 40th section of the Act, which imposes a penalty for "falsely pretending to be a registered person," and which has recently received a practical interpretation in one of the Metropolitan Police Courts; with the view that the different Registrars under the Act should be instructed by the Medical Council to take proceedings against offenders, rather than allowing the Law to be vindicated by private individuals.

The attention of your Memorialists has been drawn to this by a most flagrant case of an unregistered person, without a Diploma, or even Medical education, being allowed to assume the title of "Dr.," and to practise in this town in defiance of the Act.

Arthur B. Rye, F.R.C.S., L.S.A.
R. Stanton Wise, M.D., M.R.C.S., &c.
John Griffin, M.D., M.R.C.S.L.
Thomas Clarke, M.R.C.S.L.
Richard Grimbly, M.R.C.S., L.S.A.
C. L. H. Pemberton, M.R.C.S. Eng., L.S.A.
William T. Douglas, M.R.C.S., L.S.A.

Moved by Dr. Andrew Wood ; *Seconded* by Dr. Acland ; and *Agreed to :*

"That the Memorial from the Practitioners of Banbury be received and entered on the Minutes; and that the Registrar be directed to write in reply that it has been received, and to transmit to the Memorialists a copy of so much of a Report, adopted by the Council on the 4th of August, 1859, as refers to the subject in question."—(*See* Minutes, vol. i. p. 35.)

2. Read the following Letter :—

King and Queen's College of Physicians
in Ireland,
Dublin, 29th April, 1864.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that on the 2nd May, 1863, the following Resolution was passed by this College :

"That the appointment of Inspectors of Apothecaries' Shops by the College of Physicians, be discontinued after the publication of the *British Pharmacopœia*; and the College desire to convey to the General Medical Council their conviction that some legislative measure is necessary for the inspection of compounding establishments, and for ensuring the competency of the persons who conduct them."

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) L. ATTHILL,
Fellow and Registrar.

To the Registrar,
General Medical Council,
London.

Moved by Dr. A. Smith; *Seconded* by Dr. Leet; and *Agreed to :*

"That the Letter be received and entered on the Minutes."

3. The adjourned Debate was resumed on the Motion, *Moved* at the last Meeting by Dr. Corrigan, and *Seconded* by Dr. Apjohn, viz :—

"That the proposed Medical Bill, as amended by the Medical Acts Amendment Committee of last year, be forwarded to our Solicitor, with directions to have it drafted as soon as possible, and returned to the Executive Committee;

"That the Executive Committee take means to have the Bill so drafted laid on the table of the House of Commons at the commencement of next Session of Parliament;

"That a Copy of the Bill so drafted be forwarded without delay by the Executive Committee to the Branch Councils, to the several Bodies enumerated in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act, to the Pharmaceutical Society, and the Press; so that all parties concerned may have ample opportunity, in the interval between publication of the Draft Bill and next meeting of Parliament, of considering the Bill, and of suggesting such Amendments as they may desire;

"That the General Medical Council meet at as early a period as may be necessary next year, to consider the various Amendments that may be suggested in the interval, in order to insert in the Bill such Amendments as may meet their approbation,"

and on the Amendment *Moved* by Dr. Storrar, and *Seconded* by Mr. Arnott, viz.:

"That, looking to the great diversity of opinion which exists in Great Britain, in regard to the objects which it is desirable to obtain by an Amendment of the Medical Acts, it is not at present expedient that the Council should engage in fresh legislation."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

Second Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. Alexander Wood, and *Seconded* by Dr. Sharpey:

"That the Council, while appreciating the labour and care bestowed by the Medical Acts Amendment Committee on the heads of a Medical Bill proposed in their Report, regret that it is impossible, at this late period of the Session, to enter on the full consideration of so wide and important a subject;

"That the Council request the Branch Councils, in the interval between this Session and the succeeding one, to consider how Clauses XX., XXXI., and XL. of the Medical Act could be best amended;

"That the Council resolve to appoint an early day, at their Meeting next Session, for the consideration of the whole subject."

The Second Amendment was *Carried.*

Dr. Corrigan required that the names of the Majority and Minority should be taken down.

Majority.	*Minority.*
Dr. Alderson.	Mr. Arnott.
Dr. Paget.	Dr. Andrew Wood.
Dr. Embleton.	Dr. Fleming.
Dr. Storrar.	Dr. A. Smith.
Dr. Alexander Wood.	Mr. Hargrave.
Mr. Syme.	Dr. Apjohn.
Dr. Leet.	Dr. Corrigan.
Dr. Sharpey.	Dr. Parkes.
Mr. Rumsey.	Dr. Stokes.
Dr. Christison.	

The Amendment was then put, as a substantive Motion.

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. Andrew Wood, and *Seconded* by Mr. Hargrave:

"That it be remitted to the Executive Committee to have drafted by a Parliamentary Solicitor a Bill, having regard chiefly to Clauses XX., XXXI. and XL. of the Medical Act; that the Bill so drafted be transmitted confidentially to the Branch Councils for their opinion; that thereafter the Bill be re-drafted, so as to be in a condition to be submitted to the General Medical Council at its next Meeting."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

The substantive Motion was then put, and *Carried.*

3. A Letter having been read from Mr. Thomas Edis, of Barton Street, Gloucester, requesting that his name might be restored to the *Medical Register*, as it had been omitted through change of residence, it was *Moved* by Dr. Storrar; *Seconded* by Dr. Andrew Wood; and *Agreed to:*

"That the name of Thomas Edis be replaced on the Register."

4. *Read*—The following Letter:

Royal College of Physicians,
Edinburgh, 5*th Nov.*, 1863.

Dr. Hawkins, *Registrar*,
General Council of Medical Education
and Registration.

Sir,

By direction of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, I beg to intimate to you, on behalf of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom, that, at a Meeting of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, duly called and held here on 3rd inst., the following Motion was submitted to the College, and carried:

"It having been proved to the satisfaction of the College, that Robert Jacob Jordan, a Licentiate of this College, has been guilty of conduct unbecoming the character of a Physician, in publishing, or causing to be published, an indecent work, entitled, 'The Illustrated and Descriptive Catalogue of the Subjects contained in the London Anatomical Museum; to which is annexed the Guide to Masculine Vigour—by a Physician:' that the said Robert Jacob Jordan be deprived of his Licence from the College;

"That the College thereon declared that the said Robert Jacob Jordan was deprived of his Licence from this College, and of the Diploma as a Licentiate of this College, conferred on him on the 14th June, 1859, and of all the rights and privileges which, as a Licentiate of this College, he does enjoy."

In intimating this deprivation of Mr. Robert Jacob Jordan's Licence from this College to you as Registrar of the General Council of Medical

Education and Registration of the United Kingdom, the College directed me to request of you "that any qualifications derived from this College and entered in the *Medical Register*, as pertaining to Mr. JORDAN, may be expunged."

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

CHRISTOPHER DOUGLAS,

Clerk to the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh.

Moved by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Name and Qualification, as Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, of Mr. ROBERT JACOB JORDAN, be removed from the Register."

5. A Letter having been read from the Secretary of a reading society at Croydon, respecting an indecent Publication, it was *Moved* by Dr. CORRIGAN; *Seconded* by Dr. A. SMITH; and *Agreed to:*

"That, as advised by their Solicitor, there does not appear to the Medical Council to be any evidence to connect the Publication with any registered Practitioner, and that the Publication referred to does not therefore come within the province of the Council."

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,

President.

(*No.* 67.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, THURSDAY, MAY 5, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President,* in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.	Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. ARNOTT.	Mr. HARGRAVE.
Mr. COOPER.	Dr. LEET.
Dr. ACLAND.	Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. PAGET.	Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. EMBLETON.	Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. STORRAR.	Dr. PARKES.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.	Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.	Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. FLEMING.	Dr. CHRISTISON.
Mr. SYME.	Dr. STOKES.
Dr. THOMSON.	

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar.*

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. *Read*—The following Letter :

CAWOOD, SELBY,
YORKSHIRE,
April 25, 1864.

TO THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL OF EDUCATION AND REGISTRATION.

GENTLEMEN,

Will you kindly permit me to appear before you to plead my cause for permission to present myself at one of the Examining Boards.

I have suffered much from my former misconduct, and have, since my name was erased from the *Medical Register*, striven all in my power to redeem the past, by attending the Lectures and Hospital Practice required by Candidates for Examination (having not done so prior to that time, which caused the Medical Men in this district to be so bitter against me. This feeling, I am happy to say, has subsided).

I have held for some years (and continue) the appointments of Medical Officer to several Clubs and Townships, besides having a large Midwifery Practice; I therefore trust, as I am truly penitent for my former imprudence, you will take my case into your kind consideration, and not compel me to continue in Practice unqualified, as I undoubtedly must without your help, and my gratitude for your kindness shall be evinced by my future life.

Anxiously waiting your reply,

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,
RICHARD ORGAN.

Moved by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; *Seconded* by Mr. SYME; and *Agreed to :*

"That the Council decline to accede to the request of Mr. ORGAN."

The Report of the Select Committee on Education was presented by Dr. CHRISTISON.

REPORT.

The Committee appointed on 3rd May, relative to Professional Education, have to Report, that they have carefully considered all the points referred to them by the Council.

They understand the object of the Council to be, that this Report should comprise a statement of all Recommendations as to Professional Education, arising from the late discussion in Committee of Council, as to which there appears to be a general agreement in the Council, and which may be sent forth this Session as Recommendations to the several Licensing Bodies of the Kingdom, or Suggestions to them for information. The Committee trust that they have kept this object steadily in view in the following Recommendations:

I.—Registration.

The Committee recommend under this head, that the Regulations proposed in the Report of the Sub-Committee on Registration (Minutes No. 62, pp. 7 and 8) be adopted, with a slight change in No. 3 of these Regulations; which will then stand as follows:

1. That the Registration of Medical Students be placed under the charge of the Branch Registrars.
2. That each Student be only once registered, viz., when he first enrols himself as a Medical Student.
3. That each Licensing Body request, from each School of Medicine under its jurisdiction, a list of all Students entering on the Study of Medicine for the first time at that School, agreeably to the subjoined form.

Form of Register of Medical Students.

Name.	Age last Birthday.	Prelim. Examin. and Date.	Date of Registration.	Place of Study.

4. That the Register at each School be closed within Fifteen Days after the commencement of each Session or Term.

5. That these Lists, as soon as possible thereafter, be transmitted, along with the Certificates of each Student having passed an Arts Examination, to the Branch Registrar of that division of the Kingdom where the School is situated, and that he from them frame an accurate Register of Medical Students of that division of the Kingdom of which he is Registrar.

6. That the Registers of Medical Students so prepared by the Registrars, after Examination by the several Branch Councils, be transmitted to the Registrar of the General Council, who shall, under direction of the Executive Committee, print the same in alphabetical order, and supply a copy of this Authorised List to each of the Bodies in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act.

7. That the several Licensing Bodies be requested, after October 1868, to abstain from examining any Candidate for Licence or Degree, whose name does not appear on the Authorised List of Medical Students.

8. That the Branch Councils be desired to take means to make these Regulations known to the Medical Students at the various Medical Schools.

9. That exceptions allowed by the Licensing Bodies to any of the preceding Regulations as to Registration, together with the reasons for such exceptions, be transmitted to the Branch Council of the part of the United Kingdom in which they have been granted.

II.—Age for Licence to Practise.

The Committee, after having taken into consideration Mr. Rumsey's Notice of Motion—that the earliest Age for obtaining any Licence to practise Medicine or Surgery, should be Twenty-two, recommend that the Resolution 17 of the Recommendations of Council in 1863, p. 7, be adhered to in the following shape:

1. That the age of Twenty-one be the earliest age at which any Professional Licence shall be obtained; and that the age shall, in all instances, be duly certified.

III.—Professional Study.

The Committee have taken into consideration the Notices of Motion as to Professional Study, given by Dr. Thomson, Dr. Parkes, and Dr. Storrar, and have come to the following Recommendations, in which not only these gentlemen, but likewise every other Member of Committee present, have concurred:

1. That no Licence be obtained at an earlier period than after the close of the last Winter Session of Four Years of Study, after the Registration of the Candidate as a Medical Student.
2. That the Course of Study required for a Licence shall comprehend attendance during not less than Four Winter Sessions, or Three Winter and Two Summer Sessions, at a recognised Medical School; and that evidence shall be produced that the remaining period of the Four Years has been passed in the acquisition of Professional knowledge.
3. That, in reference specially to Dr. Parkes' Notice of Motion, as to duration of Sessions, and of Courses of Lectures, the regulation of the duration of Sessions, and the extent and duration of Courses of Lectures and Instruction, be left for the present to the several Licensing Bodies.

4. That it be recommended to the several Licensing Bodies, that the Courses of Instruction required by them should be framed in such a manner as to secure a due share of attention, both to Preparatory Branches, and to those more strictly connected with the Practice of Medicine and Surgery: and that it be suggested accordingly to these Bodies, that their Regulations should be such as to prevent attendance upon Lectures from interfering with Hospital and Clinical Study.

5. That, while avoiding for the present all other details, by which this object may be attained, it be recommended, that no subject of Lectures be enforced by Regulation, to be attended oftener than once.

6. That the Council intimate, that they will view with approbation any encouragement held out by the Licensing Bodies to Students to prosecute the study of the Natural Sciences before they engage in studies of a strictly Professional character.

7. That the several Licensing Bodies be requested to furnish a short statement of the mode in which their Examinations are now conducted, whether by written, oral, or practical examination, and of the length of time a Candidate is under examination in each, or all of these ways.

IV.—Examinations.

The Committee have considered the subject of Examinations with peculiar care; which was rendered imperative by the proofs brought before the Council in the late discussion on Education, that the Examinations of the Licensing Boards, however conscientiously carried on under the present system, are not always sufficient for their purpose. The subject is one confessedly of much difficulty. The Committee have resolved to recommend:

1. That the Licensing Boards be advised to encourage the periodical Examination of Students at their several classes.

2. That the Final Examinations of the Licensing Boards be so carried on as to be an efficient test of the practical acquaintance of Candidates with the several branches of Medical knowledge, and especially with the Practice of Medicine and Surgery.

3. That the Professional Examination for any Licence be divided into two parts; the first embracing the primary or fundamental branches of Medicine; and the second the branches directly connected with the Practice of Medicine and Surgery; that the former be not undergone till after the close of the Winter Session of the Second Year of Professional Study; and the latter, or Final Examination, not till after the close of the Winter Session of the Fourth Year of such Study.

4. That the Examination in Chemistry, Botany, and Natural History may be undergone at an earlier period.

5. That the Professional Examinations be conducted both in writing and orally; and that they be practical in all branches in which they admit of being made so.

6. That the Professional Examinations be held by the several Licensing Bodies, except in special cases, at stated periods, to be publicly notified.

7. That Returns from the Licensing Bodies in Schedule (A) be made Annually on the 1st of January, and in the subjoined Form, to the General Medical Council, stating the Number and Names of the Candidates who have passed their First as well as their Second Examinations, and the Number of those who have been rejected at the First and Second Examinations respectively; and that the Registrar forward a sufficient number of forms, with a notice for their being returned, in due time.

FORM OF RETURN OF EXAMINATIONS, AND THEIR RESULTS.

PASSED.				REJECTED.	
1st Examination.		2nd Examination.		1st Examination.	2nd Examination.
No.	Name.	No.	Name.	No.	No.

V.—Supervision of Examinations.

So much has been truly said in the late discussions in the Council, as to the duty which lies with the Council to carry out the enactments of the Medical Act relative to the supervision of the Examinations of the Licensing Boards, that the Committee have felt a great desire to recommend some definite course which the Council might at once pursue for establishing such supervision.

They fear, however, that the Medical Act is defective in this respect, inasmuch as it has not contemplated either the great amount of time and labour required to carry on a really effective supervision of the very numerous Examinations of the Licensing Boards of the Kingdom, some of which do not meet for examination at the seats of the Branch Councils, or the amount of qualifications and professional position necessary to constitute a staff of efficient Visitors of Examinations; and, consequently, has omitted to provide the means of remunerating them for their important services. But, notwithstanding this obstacle, the Committee recommend that a trial of Visitation be immediately made on such a scale as may be a guide to the Council for further Regulations on the subject, at a future meeting. For this end they recommend that the Branch Councils be instructed severally to organize a set of Trial Visitations on a scale which may enable them to report upon their success, the conditions for efficiency, and the requisite means for rendering them adequately extensive.

VI.—Suggestions for obtaining Information.

To these Recommendations, which it seems to them advisable that the Council resolve now to adopt, the Committee think it right to add others, as to which the opinions of the Licensing Bodies, and of the Medical Schools connected with them, should be requested in time for the consideration of the Council at its next Session, viz.:

1. Whether, in the opinion of the Licensing Bodies, the commencement of Professional Study, by which the

duration of it must be regulated, should be held to be only entrance on such study at a recognised Medical School?

2. Whether a "Medical School" may be better or otherwise defined than as one where there is an opportunity of studying at a General Hospital, containing at least 80 beds for patients, and also a Teacher of Practical Anatomy recognised by a Licensing Body?

3. Whether entrance on apprenticeship should be held as another way of constituting the commencement of Professional Study?

4. Whether the same privilege be extended to Pupilage under a Registered Practitioner, who has charge of a Union Workhouse, a Dispensary, or an Hospital, though destitute of Medical or Surgical Teachers?

5. Whether any other mode of Study may be similarly recognised as the commencement of Professional Study?

6. Whether, looking to the great extension of the primary or fundamental Sciences of Medicine during the last forty years, the subjects embraced in Courses of Lectures on these Sciences may not be better arranged and treated than now; so that they may be made more applicable than they are at present to the practical instruction of Medical Students, as distinguished from General Students?

7. Whether it be advisable or not, and if advisable, whether, and how, it may be practicable to adopt, in part at least, the principle of *ad eundem* Examinations; so that a Candidate, who has been satisfactorily examined, in part or completely, for any professional title conveying the right of practice, shall not be subject to re-examination on precisely the same branches by another Examining Body, before whom he may appear as Candidate for the same, or a different, qualifying professional title?

8. Whether it be advisable and practicable, for the relief of Candidates for Licences from superfluous Examinations, to establish in England, Scotland and Ireland severally, a conjunct Examining Board, before whom Candidates may be subjected to a single series of Examinations for the "Double Qualification" of Physician and Surgeon.

9. Whether it be desirable that the oral and practical parts of the Professional Examinations should be so conducted as to be open to Registered Medical Practitioners and Registered Medical Students.

Lastly,—In conformity with the Notices of Motions by Dr. ACLAND, the Committee recommend the Council to appoint a Select Committee, to consider and report at the next Session of the Council, what are the Subjects of Examination which should be required of all Students prior to commencing the prescribed Course of Professional Education, and what are the Professional Subjects of Examination which should be required of all Candidates before they receive the License to practice Medicine, or Surgery, or Medicine and Surgery.

R. CHRISTISON,
Chairman.

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report be received and entered on the Minutes."

2. *Moved* by Dr. CORRIGAN, and *Seconded* by Dr. A. SMITH:

"That the Standing Order, paragraph 12, Section III., 'Order of Business,' be amended so as to read as follows:

'That in cases when a division takes place, any Member of the Council may require that the Names or Numbers of the Majority and Minority be entered on the Minutes.'"

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD, and *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE:

"That Standing Order, paragraph 12, Section III., be altered to the following effect:

'That in all cases when a division has taken place, any Member of the Council may require that the Names or Numbers of the Majority and Minority, and of those declining to Vote, be entered on the Minutes.'"

The Amendment was *Carried;* and, having been then put as a Substantive Motion, was *Agreed to.*

3. *Moved* by Dr. A. SMITH, and *Seconded* by Dr. CORRIGAN:

"That the Names of Persons which have been removed from the Register by order of the General Medical Council, or by the Executive Committee, in accordance with the Standing Orders, be printed annually, as an Appendix to the Register."

The Motion was *Negatived.*

4. *Moved* by Dr. A. SMITH; *Seconded* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Executive Committee be authorised to remove from the Register the Qualification of any person who has been deprived of his Diploma or Licence by any of the Bodies in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act."

"That the Executive Committee be authorised to remove from the Register the name of any person who has been expelled, or deprived of his Diploma or Licence by any of the Bodies in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act, provided the said person has not registered any other Qualification."

5. *Moved* by Dr. A. Smith; *Seconded* by Dr. Alexander Wood; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Standing Order, Chap. VIII., paragraph 6, be amended as follows:

"That, should the Council remove the Name of any person from the Register, under Section XXVIII. or XXIX. of the Medical Act, due intimation of the same be made to all the Bodies enumerated in Schedule (A) to the Act."

6. *Moved* by Mr. Syme, and *Seconded* by Mr. Rumsey:

"That no Member of the Medical Council shall speak upon any subject for more than a quarter of an hour, without permission of the Council."

The Motion was *Negatived.*

Mr. Syme required that the Numbers of the Majority and Minority, and of those who declined to Vote, be entered on the Minutes.

Majority	11
Minority	6
Declined to Vote .	5

7. *Moved* by Dr. Andrew Wood; *Seconded* by Dr. Embleton; and *Agreed to:*

"That the various Standing Orders which have been agreed upon during this Session be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders, in order that they may be incorporated with the Standing Orders of the Council, and with instructions to that Committee to number the Orders."

Moved by Dr. Christison; *Seconded* by Dr. Andrew Wood; and *Agreed to:*

"That Dr. Embleton be appointed Chairman of the Committee on the Standing Orders, in the room of Dr. Christison, resigned."

8. *Moved* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Council take into consideration the Report of the Committee on the requirements of the Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in Ireland, deferred from last Session."—(No. 54, Sect. 26, vol. ii., pp. 231, 232, and 233.)

Moved by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD, and *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD:

"That, whereas the Commissioners for administering the Laws for the Relief of the Poor in Ireland require a Licence in Midwifery from Candidates for employment under them, the Medical Council requests the President to communicate with the Home Secretary, for the purpose of inducing him to request the Commissioners to receive the Certificates of all the Bodies in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act, examining in Midwifery, thereby carrying out the reciprocity in practice, which it was one object of the Medical Act to secure."

The Motion was *Carried.*

Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD required that the Names of the Majority and Minority be entered on the Minutes:

Majority.	*Minority.*
THE PRESIDENT.	Dr. SMITH.
Dr. ALDERSON.	Mr. HARGRAVE.
Mr. COOPER.	Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. ACLAND.	Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. PAGET.	
Dr. EMBLETON.	
Dr. STORRAR.	
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.	
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.	
Dr. FLEMING.	
Mr. SYME.	
Dr. SHARPEY.	
Dr. PARKES.	
Mr. RUMSEY.	
Dr. CHRISTISON.	
Dr. STOKES.	

Moved by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD, and *Seconded* by Mr. SYME:

"That the Registrar be instructed not to enter on the Register, the Licences in Midwifery of the King and Queen's College of Physicians in Ireland, or of the College of Surgeons of Ireland, inasmuch as these Qualifications do not appear on Schedule (A) to the Medical Act."

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. APJOHN, and *Seconded* by Dr. CORRIGAN:

"That before undertaking to give directions to the Executive Committee to depart from the Regulations under which the Register has hitherto been published, the opinion of Sir HUGH CAIRNS and Mr. HOBHOUSE, referred to in the Report of the Committee on the Requirement of the Poor Law Commissioners, &c. (*see* Minutes, vol. ii., p. 232), be read by the Registrar."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

Second Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. PARKES, and *Seconded* by Mr. ARNOTT:

"That both as regards future Registration, and also the Registrations already effected, a Case be drawn out, without delay, by the Executive Committee and the Solicitor to the Council, and be submitted to the Law Officers of the Crown, as to the legality of registering Licences in Midwifery which do not appear in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act, and that the Executive Committee be authorised to act on the legal opinions thus obtained."

The second Amendment was *Carried;* and, having been put as a Substantive Motion, was *Agreed to.*

9. *Moved* by Dr. QUAIN, and *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON:

"That at future Meetings of the Council, the first hour after the Chair has been taken each day be appropriated to the consideration of such matters of business of the Council as are not likely to call for lengthened debate."

The Motion was *Negatived.*

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,

President.

(*No.* 68.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, FRIDAY, MAY 6, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BUBROWS. *President,* in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.	Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. ARNOTT.	Mr. HARGRAVE.
Mr. COOPER.	Dr. LEET.
Dr. ACLAND.	Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. PAGET.	Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. EMBLETON.	Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. STORRAR.	Dr. PARKES.
Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD.	Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.	Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. FLEMING.	Dr. CHRISTISON.
Mr. SYME.	Dr. STOKES.
Dr. THOMSON.	

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar.*

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. *Moved* by Dr. Christison, and *Seconded* by Dr. Storrar:

"That the Standing Orders, in regard to Order of Business, be suspended, and that the Council proceed to consider the Report of the Select Committee on Professional Education."

The Motion was *Negatived.*

2. A Correspondence having been read, which had taken place between the Poor Law Board, the Guiltcross Union, the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, and the Registrar of the General Medical Council, in reference to the question, whether the Licence of the Faculty of Glasgow confers a Qualification both in Medicine and in Surgery.

Moved by Dr. Fleming; *Seconded* by Dr. Alexander Wood; and *Agreed to:*

"That in reply to the enquiry made by the Secretary of the Poor Law Board, in regard to the powers conferred by the Licence of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, the Registrar be instructed to intimate that the question involving the legal interpretation of a Charter, is one which the Council is not competent to answer."

3. *Read*—The following Letter from the Director-General of the Army Medical Department:

Army Medical Department,
April 9, 1864.

Sir,

The President and Fellows of the King and Queen's College of Physicians in Ireland having applied to the Secretary of State for War to have the letters "Phys." inserted in the *Army List*, after the names of such Medical Officers as may possess the qualification of that body, and Lord De Grey having determined to have the subject referred to the General Medical Council, with a view of eliciting their opinion as to the

expediency of recognising such a title as a means of distinguishing such Licentiates from other legally qualified Medical Practitioners, I shall feel obliged by your having the matter so submitted to the General Medical Council at their next Meeting.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant,
(Signed) J. B. GIBSON,
Director-General.

THE SECRETARY,
GENERAL COUNCIL OF MEDICAL EDUCATION,
32, Soho Square, W.

Moved by Dr. CORRIGAN; *Seconded* by Dr. SMITH; and *Agreed to:*

"That it is the opinion of the General Medical Council that it would not be advisable to insert the letters 'Phys.;' but that it is the opinion of the General Medical Council that the several Medical Qualifications which Army Surgeons possess, as inserted in the *Medical Register*, might be entered after their names in the *Army List.*"

4. *Moved* by Dr. CORRIGAN, and *Seconded* by Dr. A. SMITH:

"That a Letter from the King and Queen's College of Physicians, respecting the Licence granted by the Apothecaries' Hall of Ireland, be read."

The Previous Question was *Moved* by Dr. PAGET; *Seconded* by Dr. ACLAND; and *Agreed to.*

5. *Moved* by Dr. ALEXANDER WOOD; *Seconded* by Mr. SYME; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Standing Order, Sect. III., No. 5, be suspended; and that the Council do now proceed to consider the Report of the Select Committee on Education."

Moved by Dr. FLEMING; *Seconded* by Dr. STORRAR; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report of the Select Committee on Education be held as read."

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES; and *Agreed to*:

"That Regulation No. 1, Sect. I., of the Report of the Select Committee, be adopted, viz.:

'That the Registration of Medical Students be placed under the charge of the Branch Registrars.'"

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES; and *Agreed to*:

"That Regulation No. 2, Sect. I., be adopted as thus amended, viz.:

'That every Student be registered at the commencement of Professional Study.'"

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES; and *Agreed to*:

"That Regulation No. 3, Sect. I., be adopted, as thus amended, viz.:

'That the several Licensing Bodies be requested to furnish to the Branch Registrars, at the beginning of January annually, a List of Students who have been registered for the first time during the preceding year, according to the subjoined form:'"

FORM OF REGISTER OF MEDICAL STUDENTS.

NAME.	Age last Birthday.	Prelim. Examin. and Date.	Date of Registration.	Place of Study.

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES; and *Agreed to:*

"That Regulation No. 4, Sect. I., be adopted as thus amended, viz:

'That the Register of each Licensing Body be closed within Fifteen Days after the commencement of each Session or Term;'

"And that Regulations 4 and 5 be transposed.'"

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Mr. ARNOTT; and *Agreed to:*

"That Regulation No. 5, Sect. I., be adopted as thus amended, viz.:

'That from the Lists of the Licensing Bodies each Branch Registrar shall frame an accurate Register of Medical Students of the division of the United Kingdom of which he is Registrar.'"

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Mr. ARNOTT; and *Agreed to:*

"That Regulation No. 6, Sect. I., be adopted as thus amended, viz.:

'That the Register of Medical Students so prepared by the Registrars, after examination by the several Branch Councils, be transmitted to the Registrar of the General Council, who shall, under direction of the Executive Committee, prepare and print an Alphabetical List of all Registered Students, and supply a copy of this Authorised List to each of the Bodies in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act.'"

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES; and *Agreed to:*

"That Regulation No. 7, Sect. I., be adopted as thus amended, viz.:

'That the several Licensing Bodies be requested, after October 1868, to abstain from examining any Candidate for Licence or Degree, whose name does not appear on the Authorised List of Medical Students, as having passed the Preliminary Examination in Arts, or whose name is not already on the *Medical Register*.'"

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES; and *Agreed to:*

"That Regulation No. 8, Sect. I., be adopted, viz.:

'That the Branch Councils be desired to take means to make these Regulations known to the Medical Students at the various Medical Schools.'"

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES; and *Agreed to:*

"That Regulation No. 9, Sect. I., be adopted as thus amended, viz.:

'That exceptions allowed by the Licensing Bodies to any of the preceding Regulations as to Registration, together with the reasons for such exceptions, be transmitted in a separate List, to the Branch Council of the part of the United Kingdom in which they have been granted.'"

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON, and *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES:

"That Regulation No. 1, Sect. II., be adopted, viz.:

'That the age of Twenty-one be the earliest age at which any Professional Licence shall be obtained; and that the age shall, in all instances, be duly certified.'"

Amendment, *Moved* by Mr. RUMSEY, and *Seconded* by Mr. HARGRAVE:

"That Regulation No. 1, Sect. II., be adopted with the addition,

'That after the year 1868, the earliest age at which any Professional Licence shall be obtained, be Twenty-two.'"

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

Mr. RUMSEY required that the Numbers be entered on the Minutes:

Majority	11
Minority	7
Declined to Vote . . .	5

The Motion was then put and *Carried.*

Moved by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES; and *Agreed to:*

"That the further consideration of the Report of the Select Committee be now adjourned."

6. *Moved* by Dr. A. SMITH; *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Standing Orders be suspended, and that the Council meet to-morrow at *Twelve*, instead of *Two* o'clock."

7. *Moved* by Dr. CHRISTISON; *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Standing Orders be suspended, and that the Council now proceed to Ballot for the Members of the Executive Committee."

A Ballot having been taken,

Mr. ARNOTT,
Dr. ACLAND,
Dr. SHARPEY,
Dr. QUAIN,

were found to be elected.

Confirmed—J. M. ARNOTT,
Chairman.

(*No.* 69.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF MEETING, SATURDAY, MAY 7, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. ALDERSON.	Dr. A. SMITH.
Mr. ARNOTT.	Dr. LEET.
Mr. COOPER.	Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. ACLAND.	Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. EMBLETON.	Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. STORRAR.	Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.	Mr. RUMSEY.
Dr. THOMSON.	Dr. STOKES.

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar.*

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

1. *Moved* by Dr. ACLAND; *Seconded* by Mr. COOPER; and *Agreed to:*

"That, in the absence of the President, Mr. ARNOTT be requested to take the Chair."

2. A Letter having been read from the King and Queen's College of Physicians in Ireland, and also two Letters referred to in that Letter; *Moved* by Dr. A. SMITH, and *Seconded* by Dr. CORRIGAN:

"That the Letter from the King and Queen's College of Physicians, respecting the Licence granted by the Apothecaries' Hall of Ireland, along with the Letters Nos. 2 and 3, referred to in that Letter, be entered on the Minutes."

The Motion having been put to the Vote, the Chairman declared that the Motion was *not Carried,* the numbers for and against it being equal.

The CHAIRMAN, being called upon to give a casting vote, declined to do so; whereupon Dr. ANDREW WOOD stated that he intended to raise the question at a future time, whether the President or Chairman for the time be not bound to give a casting vote, "in case of an equality of votes."

Dr. STORRAR required that the numbers of those who voted for and against the Motion, and of those who did not vote, be entered on the Minutes.

For	6
Against	6
Declined to vote	1

THE PRESIDENT TOOK THE CHAIR AT TWO O'CLOCK.

Moved by Dr. A. SMITH, and *Seconded* by Dr. CORRIGAN:

"That when the General Medical Council expressed its opinion, in the Resolution of the 2nd June, 1863, 'that Registered Licentiates of the Apothecaries' Company of Dublin are, as Apothecaries, entitled to practise Medicine in Great Britain and Ireland,' it did not intend to convey that the Licence of the Apothecaries' Company of Ireland should be considered for the public service as a Medical Qualification to be recognised as equivalent to a Degree in Medicine, or to a Licence from a College of Physicians; or to express an opinion on the claim of the Apothecaries' Hall of Ireland to give a Licence in Medicine, the question being one involving the legal interpretation of an Act of Parliament, which the Council is not competent to decide."

Dr. STORRAR *Moved*, and Dr. ACLAND *Seconded* the Previous Question, which was *Carried*.

Dr. CORRIGAN required that the Numbers of the Majority and Minority, and of those who did not vote, be entered on the Minutes.

Majority	8
Minority	6
Declined to vote	1

3. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON; and *Agreed to*:

"That the Executive Committee be directed to take the opinion of Counsel on the question, whether or not, in the case of an equality of votes upon a division, the President or Chairman of the Council for the time being is bound to decide the matter in hand by giving his casting vote."

4. *Read*—The following Letter from "The Catholic University of Ireland:"

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND,
86, STEPHEN'S GREEN,
Dublin, May 2, 1864.

SIR,

In reply to your letter of the 29th of April ult., I am directed by the Rector and Council of this University to say, that they were not aware that the General Medical Council was in any way bound by Act of Parliament or otherwise not to recognise the examinations of other than Chartered or Incorporated Educational Bodies. Our University believed and still believes that your Council is at liberty to admit the Preliminary Examinations of any public body of recognised literary and scientific merit. That this University is known as a public body appears from the letter of your District Medical Council in Dublin, addressed to me as Secretary of the Catholic University, and the literary and scientific merit of this Institution is, we respectfully submit, sufficiently clear from our Calendar, and from other public documents. The fact of our School of Medicine, as well as other Medical Schools in Dublin, although not Chartered or Incorporated Institutions, being recognised by your Council, is, we again submit, sufficient proof that a Charter or legal Incorporation is not in every case required for recognition. Being aware that your Council possesses no coercive power for enforcing your Regulations regarding General Studies, the Rector and Council of this University were of opinion that they were acting in conformity with your wishes and with the Act of Parliament in offering their aid to carry out the enlightened views of the General Medical Council, with respect to the General Education of Catholic Medical Students, who now frequent the Halls of this University.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) THOMAS SCRATTON,
Sec. Cath. Univ.

THE REGISTRAR,
GENERAL COUNCIL OF MEDICAL EDUCATION,
32, Soho Square, W.

Moved by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. STORRAR; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Registrar be directed to inform the Catholic University of Ireland that they cannot acknowledge its Entrance Examination as long as it has no Charter of Incorporation."

5. *Moved* by Dr. CORRIGAN; *Seconded* by Dr. QUAIN; and *Agreed to:*

"That a Communication be addressed to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, drawing his attention to the present defective state of the law regarding the Practice of Pharmacy, under which any person, however ignorant, may undertake it; and expressing the opinion of the General Medical Council, that some legislative enactment is urgently called for to ensure competency in persons keeping open shops for dispensing Medicines and for the compounding of Physicians' and Surgeons' prescriptions."

6. *Moved* by Dr. APJOHN; *Seconded* by Dr. CORRIGAN; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Army and Navy Medical Boards be requested to furnish the Medical Council annually with information on the following points:

"*a.* The total number of Candidates for Medical Commissions who have presented themselves for Examination.

"*b.* The number of those who passed, and of those who did not pass, the Examinations of such Boards, distinguishing the number of successful and of unsuccessful Candidates under the respective heads of the several Licensing Bodies mentioned in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act, and specifying their Qualifications, Medical and Surgical, and whether they had failed in Medicine or Surgery.

"*c.* The general nature and scope of the Examinations conducted by the said Boards, together with a list of the questions proposed by the Examiners."

7. Read the following Letter:

To the General Council of Medical Education and Registration.

Gentlemen,

Having lately read that it is the intention of the English Government to subscribe for 2,000 copies of the *Medical Register*, and as it appears that the Committee appointed to consider and report on the publication and distribution of the same has submitted a list of public officers and functionaries to whom the said Register should be supplied, I take the liberty of offering some remarks on the subject.

The General Council is doubtless aware that a large number of English Medical Men are scattered throughout the globe, whose duties are almost entirely confined to practising on their own countrymen. The majority of these Practitioners have received a regular English education; a minority have been educated in foreign schools. Some of the former, wishing to obey the spirit and letter of the English laws, have regularly registered; others have omitted to do so.

At the present time certificates, &c., are accepted from all English Medical Men by Her Majesty's Ministers and Consuls, without any consideration of their being registered or not, or of their possessing English Medical Degrees or otherwise. As a consequence of this equality, non-registered Practitioners are placed on the same footing as those who have been registered, and who have received their education at a considerable cost, and in a regular manner, in England.

I take the liberty of suggesting—

1st. That the General Council take into consideration the advisability of calling the attention of Her Majesty's Government to the justice of placing those Medical Men residing abroad, who conform to the laws of their country, on the same footing as Medical Men residing in the United Kingdom.

2nd. That Registers be supplied to Her Majesty's Ministers and Consuls, for the furtherance of that object.

In a pecuniary point of view, the registration of the non-registered Practitioners residing abroad, and the supply of Registers, would add considerably to the income of the General Council, and would, at the same time, be an act of justice to a large number of regularly-educated English Physicians and Surgeons.

It would not be necessary to supply copies of the Register every year.

Some difficulty might arise in carrying out these suggestions in the English Colonies, where Medical Schools already exist; but this objection cannot hold good on the Continent, to which English visitors resort in great numbers.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient Servant,

JOHN GASON.

12, Via della Mercede, Rome,
July 1*st*, 1863.

Moved by Dr. Andrew Wood; *Seconded* by Dr. Embleton; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Registrar be directed to write to Mr. Gason, informing him that the Medical Council have no power to comply with his proposals."

8. *Read*—The following Letter from the Royal National Life Boat Institution:

14, John Street, Adelphi,
London, October 17, 1863.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying circulars, copies of which this Institution is now circulating amongst some Members of the Medical Profession, with the view of eliciting their opinions on the relative merits of the plans of Dr. Marshall Hall and Dr. H. R. Silvester, for the Restoration of the Apparently Dead from Drowning.

The Committee of the Royal National Life Boat Institution would feel much indebted to you if you would do them the favour to lay the same before the General Medical Council, with the view to their obliging the Society with their opinion on this very important subject.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your very obedient Servant,

(Signed) RICHARD LEWIS,
Secretary.

Robert Bell, Esq.

Moved by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON; and *Agreed to :*

"That the Registrar be directed to write to the National Life Boat Institution, acknowledging their communication, and stating that the question proposed in it does not come within the sphere of the duties of the Council."

9. *Read*—The following Letter:

Parish of Bermondsey, Surrey.

VESTRY OFFICES, MALTBY STREET, S.E.
October 27, 1863.

GENTLEMEN,

I am directed by the Vestry of this Parish to call your attention to the number of deaths which are registered in this district "Uncertified," to apprise you that they have reason to believe that the persons who attend the cases during illness are unregistered and unqualified Practitioners, and to express a hope that you will direct enquiry to be made into the circumstances, with the view of remedying such an unsatisfactory proceeding, and also of protecting the public against unqualified Practitioners.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) J. I. RICHES,
Assistant Clerk.

To the COUNCIL OF MEDICAL REGISTRATION,
Soho Square.

Moved by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON; and *Ageed to :*

"That the Registrar be requested to write to Mr. J. I. RICHES, and to state that the matter referred to in his Letter to the Medical Council does not lie within the province of the Council."

10. The Report of the Finance Committee (Minutes, No. 65, p. 7,) was considered.

Moved by Dr. SHARPEY; *Seconded* by Dr. ALDERSON; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted."

Moved by Dr. SHARPEY; *Seconded* by Dr. ALDERSON; and *Agreed to:*

"That £50 be presented to Dr. GARROD, in acknowledgement of special services rendered in the publication of the Pharmacopœia, at the request of the Executive Committee."

Moved by Dr. SHARPEY; *Seconded* by Dr. ALDERSON; and *Agreed to:*

"That Gratuities be given, of £30 to Mr. BELL, and £20 to Mr. ROOPE, the Clerks, for extra trouble and efficient service in conducting the sale of the Pharmacopœia."

Moved by Dr. SHARPEY; *Seconded* by Dr. ALDERSON; and *Agreed to:*

"That Messrs. SPOTTISWOODE's extra claim of £75 be allowed and paid."

Moved by Dr. SHARPEY; *Seconded* by Dr. ALDERSON; and *Agreed to:*

"That two Members of the Executive Committee be annually appointed to audit the Accounts of the Council."

11. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD, and *Seconded* by Dr. EMBLETON:

"That the Council now proceed further to consider the Report of the Select Committee on Education."

Amendment, *Moved* by Dr. ACLAND, and *Seconded* by Dr. STOKES:

'That in the absence of the Chairman of the Education Committee (Dr. CHRISTISON), of the Representative of the University of Edinburgh (Mr. SYME), of the Representative of the University of Cambridge (Dr. PAGET),

and at the twelfth day of the Session of the Council, it is inexpedient to enter upon the consideration of the details of Professional Study and Examination; but instead thereof—

"That a Committee be appointed to draw up and report to the Council of 1865, what are the subjects of Examination which should be required of all Students prior to their prescribed Course of Professional Study;

"That a Committee be appointed to draw up in detail a scheme of the Scientific and Professional subjects of which knowledge should, in the judgment of the Medical Council, be required from every person before he receives a Diploma or Qualification testifying that he possesses the requisite knowledge and skill for the efficient practice of his Profession; and that the Committee report at the next Meeting of the Medical Council;

"That a Committee be appointed to report in detail at the commencement of the next Session of Council, as to the best mode of organising an efficient inspection of all Examinations conducted by the several Licensing Bodies, in conformity with Sect. XVIII. of the Medical Act;

"That the Committees (if appointed) be requested to correspond with each other, to obtain information from such persons unconnected with the Council as they may see fit, and to prepare in type, in such form as may be agreed on with the Registrar, their respective Reports, if possible, before Easter of 1865, or at an earlier period if required by the President."

The Amendment was *Negatived.*

Dr. Andrew Wood required that the Numbers for and against the Amendment be entered on the Minutes:

Majority	8
Minority	4

The Motion having been put to the Vote, was also *Negatived.*

12. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. A. SMITH; and *Agreed to*:

"That the various Letters from the Bodies mentioned in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act, explanatory of their Regulations, which have already been printed in proof, be laid on the table of the Council, and entered on the Minutes."

LETTERS FROM THE BODIES MENTIONED IN SCHEDULE (A) TO THE MEDICAL ACT, EXPLANATORY OF THEIR REGULATIONS.

Copy of a Circular which was sent to all the Bodies mentioned in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act, in October 1863. *A duplicate of it was also sent in February* 1864.

GENERAL COUNCIL OF MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION
OF THE UNITED KINGDOM,
32, SOHO SQUARE, LONDON, W.
October 1863.

SIR,

I am directed by the Executive Committee of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom to request that, in conformity with the 18th Section of the Medical Act, the will be pleased to furnish the Council with a copy of their present Regulations relative to Education and Examination.

Herewith a copy is sent of the Recommendations of the Medical Council in reference to General and Professional Education, several copies of the same having been already forwarded in July last to the

If in any respects the Regulations of differ from the Recommendations of the Medical Council, the Council request to be favoured with such observations as may deem fit to offer.

Appended to the Recommendations of the Medical Council are certain Resolutions, which demand the consideration of the Bodies named in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act, and concerning which the Executive Committee request to be favoured with the opinion of

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient, humble Servant,
(Signed) FRAS. HAWKINS,
Registrar.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON,
March 16, 1864.

SIR,

I am directed by the President of the Royal College of Physicians of London to inform you that your letter of the 21st of October last, and also the copy transmitted therewith of the Recommendations of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom, in reference to General and Professional Education, as amended in 1863, together with Resolutions requiring special consideration, have been laid before the College.

I am further directed by the College to acquaint you, for the information of the Executive Committee of the General Medical Council—

Firstly.—That the principle involved in the first Resolution has been already approved by the College, and, under certain limitations, has been adopted.

Secondly.—That with reference to the second Resolution, the College entirely concurs with the General Medical Council, in the opinion expressed in that Resolution.

Thirdly.—That as regards the third Resolution, the College begs leave to inform the Executive Committee of the General Medical Council, that the subjects to which this Resolution refers have been recently and very thoroughly considered by the College, and the attention of the Executive Committee is respectfully directed to the accompanying Bye-Laws and Regulations, as fully expressing the opinions of the College.

I am also directed to point out, for the information of the Executive Committee of the General Medical Council, the subjoined alterations which have been recently made in the Bye-Laws and Regulations of the College, in order to make them in every respect conformable to the Recommendations of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) HENRY A. PITMAN,
Registrar.

To FRANCIS HAWKINS, M.D.,
Registrar of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration of the United Kingdom.

In the Regulations relating to MEMBERS.

"In the case of Candidates for Membership, who shall have commenced their Professional Studies after September 1864, the first Examination, comprising Anatomy, Physiology, Chemistry, and Materia Medica, shall not be undergone until after the termination of two years of Professional Study at a recognised Medical School or Schools.

"Testimonials of proficiency in the subjects comprised in the first Examination, granted by any Corporation or University, after a course of study and an examination satisfactory to the Censors' Board, will be accepted in lieu of the first Examination conducted at the College.

"The second and third Examinations, comprising Pathology and Therapeutics, shall not be undergone until after the completion of the required course of Professional Study, and at least two years after the Candidate has passed the first Examination."

In the Bye-Laws relating to LICENTIATES.

"Of having been engaged in Professional Studies during four years, of which the first two years and one other year shall have been passed at a recognised Medical School or Schools.

"The Examination will be divided into two parts. The first part, comprising Anatomy and Physiology, Chemistry, Materia Medica, Practical Pharmacy, shall not be undergone until after the termination of two years of Professional Study at a recognised Medical School.

"The second part, comprising Midwifery and the Diseases peculiar to Women, Principles and Practice of Medicine and Surgery, shall not be undergone until after the termination of four years of Professional Study, and at least eighteen months after the Candidate has passed the first Examination, except in the case of Students who have commenced their Professional Education before October 1861."

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND,
11th March, 1864.

SIR,

I have laid before the Council of this College your letter of the 21st of October last, requesting, by direction of the Executive Committee of the General Medical Council, that if the Regulations of this College differ in any respects from the Recommendations of the Medical

Council, the Council may be favoured with such observations or explanations as this College may deem fit to offer, and further requesting that the Executive Committee may be favoured with the opinion of this College on the Resolutions appended to such Recommendations; and I am desired to enclose a copy of the existing Regulations of this College, and to offer the following remarks, viz.:—

Recommendation 1, page 3.

Vide paragraph 1, Section 2, of the accompanying Regulations of this College.

Since the 1st of October, 1862, no Students have been allowed to commence their Professional Education without having passed a Preliminary Examination in General Knowledge. This date has been extended to October 1863 in the case of Students from the Canadian Schools, and to October 1864 in the case of those from the Schools of Australia, as stated in the letter from this College of the 3rd of April, 1862. The immediate enforcement of the Recommendation of the Medical Council would have caused serious inconvenience to a considerable number of Students who had commenced their Professional Studies on the faith of the then existing Regulations of this College, by which they had been allowed to pass the Examination in General Knowledge at any time before their first Professional Examination.

Recommendation 2, page 3. Resolution 2, page 11.

The College still entertain the opinion, stated in the letters of the 3rd of April, 1862, and the 4th of May last, that it is not expedient to adopt the Recommendation of the Medical Council, by which the commencement of Studies at a Medical School is made the only mode of beginning Professional Education.

The College agree with the Medical Council in requiring that four years must be devoted to Professional Study between the Preliminary Examination and that for the Diploma of Member.

Being well aware how various are the circumstances of opportunity, convenience, and means under which Medical Education is begun and carried on, they think it advisable, avoiding inflexible rules and minute details, to leave as much freedom of choice as possible to Candidates, their parents, friends, and teachers. Proceeding on this view, they recognise the following several modes of beginning Professional Study:—

Vide Clause 2, paragraph 2, Section 2, of the Regulations of the College.

1. Instruction as the pupil of a Surgeon in general practice, either holding office in a public institution, or possessing such other means of affording practical knowledge as may be satisfactory to the Council. Under such a master the pupil enters at once with interest and pleasure on a course of practical training, which leads at each step to real knowledge, and forms the best preparation for the lessons of the Medical School. He becomes acquainted with drugs and medicines; he learns the ordinary course of accidents and diseases; and is familiarised with manipulative and other minor duties of Surgery. These elementary

matters, though so important in the future life of the practitioner, cannot be acquired in a Medical School;—the number of students and the press of other matters supposed to be more important preclude the attempt to teach them. They must be learned at an early age, and by direct instruction from the master. Hence, the College agree entirely with the great majority of its Members throughout England in thinking that this method of acquiring the rudiments of the profession, which has long received the sanction of experience and custom, is an excellent way of beginning Medical Education.

2. Attendance on the practice of a recognised Hospital.

3. Attendance on recognised Lectures.

Vide Clauses 1 & 3, paragraph 2, Section 2, of the Regulations of the College.

The Preliminary Examination in General Knowledge at the College has been, and is still, conducted by the Board of Examiners of the Royal College of Preceptors; and the Latin language is one of the compulsory subjects of Examination.

Recommendations 4, 5 & 12, pages 4 & 7.

Vide College Regulations, paragraph 12, Section 1.

The College admit Candidates for the Diploma of Member to the Primary or Anatomical and Physiological Examination at the end of their Second Anatomical Session, instead of deferring it to the end of the second year. While this arrangement is more convenient to the Student, it has the advantage of affording additional time for the important subjects of Practical Surgery and Pathology.

Recommendation 19, page 8.

The *ad eundem* admissions to the Fellowship and Membership of the College are limited by Charter to the Fellows and Licentiates of the Colleges of Surgeons in Ireland and of Edinburgh, and of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, and such admissions *ad eundem* do not involve any additional examinations.

Resolution 1, page 11.

The College have not only long entertained the opinion that the number of Lectures required to be attended by Medical Students is too great, but have tried to carry this view of the subject into practical effect. They have taken occasion, as opportunities offered, to express this opinion to teachers and to others of their Fellows and Members. In the year 1857 they modified their own Curriculum so as to ease the Student in the matter of Lectures as far as they could consistently with the existing educational arrangements. The College cannot doubt that the attendance on Lectures required by the several Licensing Bodies might still be lessened with advantage to the Student, both as regards the number of Courses and that of the Lectures in each Course.

Resolution 3, page 12.

I am, Sir, your obedient Servant,

(Signed) EDMUND BELFOUR,
Secretary.

To Dr. HAWKINS,
Registrar of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration
&c. &c.

APOTHECARIES' HALL, LONDON, E.C.
3rd March, 1864.

SIR,

I am directed by the Master Wardens of this Society to express their regret that, owing to a misapprehension, your letter of October last should have remained unanswered.

I now beg to hand you enclosed, a copy of the Regulations of the Court of Examiners, which will be found, I understand, to be in exact accordance with the Recommendations and Resolutions of the General Medical Council, with the exception of the five years' pupilage, which is rendered compulsory by the Apothecaries' Act of 1815.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) ROB. B. UPTON,
Clerk to the Society.

Dr. HAWKINS,
Registrar of the General Medical Council.

OXFORD,
March 30th, 1864.

SIR,

The Vice-Chancellor of this University has requested me to reply to the portions of your letter of October 1863, in which you ask, first, for observations on any differences which may exist between the Regulations of this University and the Recommendations of the Medical Council; and secondly, for an opinion on certain Resolutions which are appended to the Recommendations of the Medical Council.

A comparison of the Medical Statute of this University will show to you a general agreement with the Recommendations of the Medical Council.

1. Medical Students are required to spend four years in Medical Study after completing their general academical course. By a recent Statute, this may be done at a much earlier period than heretofore.

2. Medical Students have then to pass two Examinations: one at the end of two years (or, if they have taken honours in the School of Natural Science, at an earlier period); and the second at the conclusion of four years.

3. The University has not passed any Statute requiring the registration of Students, nor has it prescribed the duty of signing the statement recommended in Clause 24.

4. With respect to the Resolutions of 1863, requiring special consideration, I may observe that no steps have been taken by the Council of the University in respect to the *ad eundem* principle referred to. I can only, therefore, state my personal readiness to discuss this question at any time, and to consider whether any advantage will accrue to the

public from such amalgamation on our part. If this should seem to be the case, I shall be quite ready to press the subject on the attention of the University.

5. Although this University offers great and increasing advantages for some portions of scientific study, in connection with Medicine, it must be considered rather as an Examining than as an Educating Body, in respect of Medicine. It has uniformly judged it right to allow to her Medical Students the utmost freedom in the manner and place of study, to fetter them with no detailed regulations as to Courses of Lectures, and to depend chiefly on the Examinations. Much attention has been bestowed on these Examinations, and I have no doubt but that the University will be ready to take any steps which from time to time may seem requisite for maintaining them on a level with the highest test that can be reasonably applied to Students.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Dr. Hawkins, (Signed) HENRY W. ACLAND.

Registrar of the General Medical Council.

Cambridge,

April 5, 1864.

Sir,

In reply to your letter to the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge, dated 24th October, 1863, I send herewith a copy of the "Statuta" and "Ordinationes Academiæ Cantabigiensis," which contain (Stat., pp. 45, 75; Ord., pp. 8, 57, seq.) the Regulations now in force in this University relative to Medical Education and Examinations. These Regulations *do not differ* in any respect from the Recommendations of the Medical Council. Recommendation No. 1 is virtually included in the grace of May 30, 1861 (Ord., p. 59), and is acted on. Recommendations Nos. 17, 23 and 24, though not comprised in the Ordinationes, are actually complied with.

In reference to the Resolutions of the Medical Council, on which they desire to have the opinion of the University, I have, at the request of the Council of the Senate, referred the subject to the Board of Medical Studies, and I subjoin the reply of that Body:—

"1. In the opinion of the Board of Medical Studies, the *ad eundem* principle can never be of universal application as respects Medical Degrees, because Bodies which, like the University of Cambridge, require a long residence and a high standard of qualifications for their Degrees,

will not be willing to admit to the same Degrees the Graduates of other Universities, without exception. And with regard to Examinations, as there are certain distinctive characters in the Examinations of each University and Licensing Body, the Board is of opinion that it is not generally desirable that Examinations by one of these Bodies should be substituted for Examinations by another. Nevertheless, this Board does not consider that it is in all cases necessary that Candidates for a Degree or Licence should be re-examined in all the subjects of the Examination for that Degree or Licence, when they have already passed an Examination in those subjects which is deemed satisfactory by the Body for the Degree or Licence of which they are Candidates.

" 2. The Board of Medical Studies is of opinion that the pupilage referred to in Resolution 2, if forming part of the required term of Medical Study, should be in the first year of Medical Education, rather than at a subsequent period.

" 3. In reference to Resolution No. 3, it is the opinion of the Board that Students cannot, in general, attend with advantage more than two Courses of Lectures concurrently, or more than one Course of Lectures, if they be attending also Hospital Practice and Dissections.

(Signed) " HENRY J. H. BOND,
" *Chairman.*"

In the foregoing opinions the Council of the Senate concur.

In reply to your letter of Dec. 5, 1863, it is sufficient to point out that the Statutes (of which a copy is herewith sent) framed under the authority of Act 19 and 20 Vict., c. 88, gives power to this University to grant Degrees in Medicine and Surgery, and these Degrees are, by the Medical Act, qualifications to practise.

I am,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) H. W. COOKSON,
Vice-Chancellor.

To FRANOIS HAWKINS, M.D.
Registrar.

UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM,
March 7th, 1864.

DEAR SIR,

Your letter to the Warden, dated Feb. 22, 1864, was communicated to the Senate at their last Meeting.

I was not here when your last communication was made to the University, in October last; but I find that on the 1st of Dec., 1863, the whole matter was fully discussed, and the result communicated to Dr. Embleton, the representative of the University at the Medical Board of Education, to be laid by him before that Board.

I subjoin a copy of the Minute of Senate made on that occasion.

I shall be happy to pay attention to any further communication which you may wish to make,

And remain yours faithfully,

(Signed) TEMPLE CHEVALLIER,
Registrar.

Francis Hawkins, Esq., M.D.
Registrar, &c.

Minute of Senate of the University of Durham, Dec. 1, 1863.

"A letter from the Registrar of the General Medical Council, dated October 24, 1863, and a letter from Dr. Embleton on the subject of it, were considered. The University was asked to furnish Returns of its Regulations for Medical Education and Examination. Mr. Long announced that he had complied with the request, by sending several copies of the printed Medical Prospectus.

"Other letters from Dr. Embleton were put in, on the subject of some Motions, &c. in No. 54 of the Minutes of the General Medical Council.

"Section 10. Dr. Congreve's Motion for Returns of the Charters or Acts under which the Licensing Bodies grant Degrees in Medicine, &c.—It was agreed that Mr. Long should send copies of the Calendar containing the Charter, &c.

"Section 15. Mr. Teale's Motion, recommending to the Licensing Bodies the consideration of the *ad eundem* principle in granting Degrees, &c.—The Senate, having considered the matter, referred the Council to the Regulations, Tit. xiii. (Calendar for 1862, and previous years).

"Section 20. On the appointment of Members of Council.—Mr. Long announced that he had complied with the Recommendations, in the late appointment of Dr. Embleton.

"Section 21. Case and Opinion of Counsel on the powers of the General Medical Council in representing to the Privy Council, deviations in a Licensing Body from the standard of education as fixed by the Medical Council.—The Senate considered the subject, and it was agreed that, the Regulations of the University being in accordance with the Recommendations of the General Medical Council, the subject requires no observation from the Senate."

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON,
BURLINGTON HOUSE, W.
November 30, 1863.

To Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS,
Registrar to the General Council of Medical Education and Registration.

SIR,

In reply to your letter of the 26th ultimo, I am directed by the Senate of the University of London to place before you the following observations upon the amended Recommendations of the Medical Council; these observations being limited to the points on which the Regulations or the practice of the University differ from those Recommendations.

1. The University has not judged it expedient to institute a special Register for Students commencing their Studies in Medicine. The reasons for this decision were stated in my letter of the 28th November, 1862, to which I beg to refer you.

2. The University has not considered itself justified in requiring from Candidates for its Examinations the statement prescribed in Recommendation 24.

3. Although the University has not deemed it expedient to require the possession of a Degree in Arts as a qualification for its Degrees in Medicine, yet the requirements of its Medical Curriculum are such as fully conform to the alternative given in the last clause of Recommendation 25; its Matriculation Examination and its Preliminary Scientific M.B. Examination being the full equivalent of the "Previous" and "Final" Examinations by which a Degree in Arts may be obtained in the University of Cambridge.

In regard to the "Resolutions of 1863 requiring special consideration," I am directed to state:

1. That this University, desiring to maintain the Examinations for its Medical Degrees at the highest practicable standard of efficiency, is not at present prepared to recognise the Examinations of any other Examining Body as a substitute for its own.

2. That as this University requires a *minimum* of four years of Study at a Medical School as a qualification for its M.B. Degree, it has no observation to make upon Resolution 2.

3. That this University has, from the first, acted upon the principle of judging of the qualifications of Candidates for its Medical Degrees, rather by the proficiency they display when under examination, than by the number of Courses of Lectures they have attended. The number of Courses now required by the University, exclusive of Practical Chemistry

and of Clinical Medicine and Surgery, amounts to no more than five: and in the selection of their subjects, considerable latitude is given to Candidates. On the other hand, the University would be far from wishing to decrease the prescribed amount of Clinical Instruction, to which it attaches great importance.

I have the honour to remain, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) WILLIAM B. CARPENTER,

Registrar.

REPORT *to the General Medical Council on Medical Education by the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, 26th March,* 1864.

In accordance with the invitation of the General Medical Council, the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh has to offer the following observations on the subjects referred to in the Resolutions and Recommendations which the Medical Council has submitted for the consideration of the College.

I.—The College approves of the Recommendations of the General Medical Council in reference to General and Professional Education.

II.—The College concurs in the first and second of the Resolutions of 1863, which are noted as requiring special consideration. The College has always been ready to adopt and to promote the adoption of the *ad eundem* principle, whether in regard to Examinations, Licences, or Degrees.

III.—The third of these Resolutions, which refers to the extent of the Curricula of Medical Education, appears to the College to deserve special attention, and to require a more detailed statement of the views of the College on the subject.

The College is of opinion that the Medical Curricula of all the Licensing Boards, having been of late years greatly extended, in consequence of the rapid progress of Medical Science, are, in some respects, oppressive to the Medical Student; and that the systems of Medical Instruction and Examination, as at present pursued, are susceptible of material improvement.

In regard to the proposals of the Medical Council, the College has to remark—

1*st*. As to the reduction of the number of compulsory Courses of Lectures :—

The College, after due consideration, does not think that any of the *subjects of study* at present contained in the Curriculum of this College can with propriety be omitted. But while the College does not advise the omission of any of the required subjects of study, it recommends that the extent of information on each subject demanded from the Student for his Pass Examination, should be accurately defined and limited by the Licensing Boards, with due regard to the time at the Student's disposal, and the relative importance of the different parts of each of the extensive subjects of study. For this purpose, the College suggests that each Licensing Board should adopt a detailed scheme or programme, exhibiting the principal heads or subdivisions of each of the required subjects, and indicating clearly the extent of knowledge demanded in each for the *Pass Examination*. The College would expect that the programme should be less extensive for the ordinary Diploma of Licentiate or Practitioner than for the Degree of Doctor of Medicine. The College would further suggest, for the consideration of the General Medical Council, whether these programmes might not be submitted to them for approval, with the view to secure some approach to uniformity in Medical Examinations.

In addition to the programme of the Pass Examination, any Licensing Boards may propose more difficult questions, or extra subjects, for Honours, Certificates, or Prizes, which they may be entitled or disposed to grant.

By such means, while every Student would have a sufficient amount of information to qualify him for the practice of his profession, he might be encouraged to prosecute his studies in the particular direction to which his talents or his taste might lead him, either in the acquisition of Medical Science and learning, or in the prosecution of original research.

It is, therefore, by limiting the extent of each subject, rather than by omitting any, that, in the opinion of the College, the Medical Education of the Student may be rendered at once less burdensome and more efficient.

The College is further of opinion that by the omission of duplicate Courses and by the institution of two Four Months' Sessions in each Annus Academicus, instead of the present Winter and Summer Sessions, the whole course of strictly Professional Education might be completed in three years.

2nd. In regard to the diminution of the number of Lectures in particular Courses:—

The College is of opinion that tutorial instruction, class examinations, and self-instruction by the Student, placed under proper guidance and supplied with the objects or specimens to which his study relates, might often, with great advantage, be substituted for lectures. The College would therefore recommend in Medical Schools increase in the tutorial teaching; and further, that apartments should be provided in the various Schools, fitted up with the requisite specimens and apparatus, in which Students might, under proper direction, make themselves practically familiar with the objects of their study. The College does not think that the time spent in Professional Education is too extended, but considers that much valuable time is wasted by the Student from the deficiency of opportunities of practical self-instruction.

In addition to the above proposals relating to the remit of the Medical Council, the College would further suggest that certain subjects at present contained in the Curriculum of Professional Study might, with propriety, be placed in that of Preliminary Study. The Preliminary Education might then consist of two Departments.—One, LITERARY, embracing English, Latin, Arithmetic, and Geometry; and for Honours, one of the following languages: Greek, French, or German, at the choice of the Candidate.—The Second, SCIENTIFIC, including Natural History or Botany, and Natural Philosophy. The amount of knowledge necessary in these departments should also be limited by programme; and the Student should be required to profess a greater familiarity with a certain number (say two) of them, as it is unreasonable to expect a minute acquaintance with every one of these sciences in their present extended state. The Student should be required to pass on these subjects before commencing his strictly Professional Education, or, at latest, before commencing his second year; and no Student should be allowed to commence his Medical studies till he has completed his seventeenth year.

The College is of opinion that the Professional Pass Examinations should be so conducted as to admit of the presence of Members of the Profession; and it is further of opinion that the Medical Council should make adequate provision for the supervision of all Examinations, in conformity with the powers conferred on it by the 18th clause of the Medical Act. The College concurs in the Recommendation of the Medical Council, that the Examinations should be made practical and demonstrative.

The College has had under its consideration a proposal which has

been made, to substitute Class Examinations held during the Session for the Professional Examinations at present essential for the Licence or Degree. The College is of opinion that it would be very desirable that the character of the Student, as far as that can be ascertained by the regularity of his attendance on his Classes, and his appearance at the Class Examinations, should form an element to be judged of by the Professional Examiners; but the College is not prepared to recommend a measure which would lead to the abolition of Examinations by the Public Boards, or the substitution of Class-room for Pass Examinations. At the same time, the College is of opinion that Class Examinations should be imperative on all Teachers, who should be required to devote one day a week to this purpose. Attendance on these should be required of all Students, and certificates granted to each according to his proficiency. This would secure progress even in the most careless Student; and the requisite preparation would necessitate home study. Questions might be given out, to which all ought to be required to return a written answer. This plan would secure the advance of each Student in every branch of study, and could not interfere, except advantageously, with the Pass Examinations.

The College is of opinion that it would be an excellent arrangement if only a single Register were kept for all the Medical Students in each division of the kingdom, under the superintendence of the Local Registrars of the General Medical Council.

In the name and by authority of the Royal College of Physicians,

(Signed) JOHN GRAHAM MACDONALD BURT,
President.

PHYSICIANS' HALL, EDINBURGH,
26th March, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, EDINBURGH,
12th November, 1863.

REPORT *by the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh to the General Medical Council.*

The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh have received the Recommendations and Resolutions of the General Medical Council on Education, regarding which written communications are invited by the Council. The College have carefully considered those, and have to express their general concurrence in the Recommendations, the great mass of which have already been adopted by the College, and embodied

in their Regulations. In several points these Regulations, for the present, are not in conformity with the Recommendations; in regard to these points, the College beg to offer the following explanations, viz.:—

I.—The Recommendations provide "That all Students should have passed their Examination in General Education before they are allowed to register." The College are quite sensible of the desirableness of this measure, and they have done everything in their power for years to encourage its being carried out as universally as possible by those Students registering with them. They believe, however, that practically the great object in view, viz., that of having literate Medical men, would, for the present at least, be best carried out, were the rule not made absolutely stringent, and were it provided "That all Students should pass an Examination in General Education, if possible, before they commence their Professional Studies; but that in particular cases Students may be registered for the first time, though they may only have passed part of their Examination in General Education (that part to embrace, at least, English, Arithmetic, and Latin), but that they must have completed the full Examination in General Education previously to the commencement of the second Winter Session, in order to entitle them to register for a second year of Medical Study." The propriety of such a proviso has been impressed on the College by their having found by experience that not a few Students may have been able to pass, even with credit, a considerable proportion of the subjects of their Examination in General Education, and yet may fail in one or two subjects. In such a case it seems both hard and unnecessary that a Student should not be allowed to commence his Medical Studies for a whole year. The College see nothing incompatible in his being allowed to carry out, during the first year of his Professional Course, simultaneously, that part of his Medical Studies, viz., Anatomy and Chemistry, which are generally taken in the first year, and those studies necessary to enable him to pass that part of his General Education Examination which he has been obliged to defer. The College, for the present, act on this principle.

II.—The Recommendations provide that "the period of Professional Study shall be four years after the Examination in General Education, and that the commencement of Professional Study shall be understood to be the time of commencing Studies at a Medical School." These, as well as all the other Recommendations of the Council, were promptly adopted by the College, very soon after they were first issued; but, in consequence of the Medical Council having declined, in May, 1862 (a course which they adhered to in 1863), to enforce their Recommendations

on Bodies who refused compliance with them, this College changed their Regulations in so far as to admit Students to Examination after four Winter Sessions, or three Winter and two Summer Sessions, and this is their present rule. This College make it essential that the commencement of Professional Studies should mean the time of commencing Studies at a Medical School, heartily agreeing as they do with the Resolution of the Medical Council which condemns the system allowed by the Regulations of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, at present in force, whereby a Student may commence his studies by a year of pupilage. This College have only to add, under this head, that they are quite prepared now, as they always have been, whatever their own views may be, to conform their Regulations *in toto* to the Recommendations of the Medical Council, when the Council shall have shown a determination to use every legal means in their power to enforce their Recommendations for a minimum Curriculum alike on all the Licensing Bodies over whom the Medical Act gives them supreme control.

Having thus remarked on the several points in their Regulations which are not conformable to the Recommendations of the Medical Council, the College go on to remark on some other points, raised either in the Recommendations themselves, or in the Resolutions appended to them.

I.—The College consider that it is expedient that the Medical Council, in stating the required period of Professional Study, should, instead of merely specifying a certain number of years, define that period more specifically, by stating the minimum number of Winter and Summer Sessions which the period should embrace. The College believe that by such a course the Medical Council would obviate much of the confusion and uncertainty which have arisen from the want of such specification.

II.—The College hold it to be very desirable that the Medical Council should define what is to be considered a Medical School, and should consider the claims of Medical Schools to be recognised as such, and publish a list of those which they deem entitled to such recognition.

III.—The College consider that it is very desirable that the Student should, as far as possible, be saved the irksomeness of passing a multiplicity of Examinations on the same subjects, in order to obtain a plurality of qualifications, and would suggest that the best way of promoting this desirable object is for the Council to stimulate and encourage the Licensing Bodies, whether Universities or Corporations, to form joint Examinations of two or more Bodies under Clause XIX. of the Medical Act, as has already been successfully done, under the sanction of the Council, by the Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons of

Edinburgh, and the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. In this way, too, the College consider that the at present too numerous Licensing Bodies might be concentrated and consolidated into efficient groups, to the great advantage of the Licensing Bodies, of Candidates for their Licences and Degrees, of the Profession generally, and of the public.

IV.—The College are inclined to agree with the Medical Council in the opinion which they have expressed, that the overloading of the Curricula of Study is an evil, and that with the view of abating it, the number of Courses of Lectures (and they would add the number of Lectures in some of the Courses), might be reduced with advantage, so as to give the Student a larger amount of time for self-education.

Holding these opinions, the College would consider it a boon to the Profession were the Medical Council, at their next meeting, to take the subject into their consideration, with the view of issuing a Recommendation indicating a plan of study, regulated by the principle of relieving the Curriculum, such as might be worthy the adoption of the Licensing Bodies. This College, in common with some of the other Bodies, has to a certain extent of late moved in this direction, by shortening the Course of Materia Medica, and lessening the number of Lectures on Physiology, and they will be prepared to go still further in the same direction, guided by any Recommendation which the Council may issue on the subject.

In name, and by the authority of the College,

(Signed) BENJ. BELL,
President.

In compliance with Resolution 11 of Minute 54 of the General Medical Council, the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons beg to transmit to the Executive Committee of the Medical Council a copy of the Regulations to be observed by Candidates for the Diploma of the Faculty, with a statement of the particulars in which these Regulations differ from the Recommendations of the Council, and of the reasons why they do so.

The point of most importance in which the Faculty do not now conform to the Recommendations of the Council relative to Education and Examination, appears to be in not rendering it imperative on Students to pass the Examination in General Education preliminary to the commencement of their Professional Studies. The Faculty highly approve of the Recommendation that Students ought to do so, and acted upon it till the beginning of the Session 1862-63 (*see* note to page 7

of the Faculty Regulations), when they were reluctantly obliged to relax its stringent enforcement on account of some of the Licensing Bodies having failed to comply with this and other Recommendations of the Medical Council. The Faculty felt that it would be futile in them to attempt to force Regulations when other Bodies had ceased to render them obligatory; but they have invariably required the Examination in General Education to be passed before the first Professional Examination.

Recommendation 18, viz., "That four years of Professional Study be required after the Examination in General Education," the Faculty presume, is intended to apply only to those Students who began their Professional Education after October 1861, and consequently does not yet apply to Candidates for a Licence to practise. They have so far departed from Recommendation 19 as to admit Students to their first Professional Examination at the end of their second Winter Session. If a Student has fully complied with the Course of Study prescribed in the Curriculum, the Faculty can see no benefit that would accrue to him, but the reverse, from requiring him to wait from May till October, during one-half of which time the Medical Schools are closed, before he can apply for his Examination.

Recommendation No. 24, requiring every Candidate to sign a Statement as to whether he has or has not been rejected within three months by any of the Examining Boards, the Faculty have not conformed to, principally for the reason that they could not see any good object to be obtained in requiring a Student to make such a written declaration unless some defined action was intended to be taken on it. The Faculty trust to subjecting every Candidate to an impartial, comprehensive, and strict examination.

(Signed) CHAS. RITCHIE, M.D.
President.

FACULTY OF PHYSICIANS & SURGEONS, GLASGOW,
8th December, 1863.

The Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons having had under consideration the Resolutions and Recommendations of the General Medical Council "affecting directly the subject of Medical Education," beg, in accordance with the request contained in Resolution 14 of Minute 54 of the Council, to submit the following observations on the subject of General and Professional Education.

The Faculty cordially approve of the first Recommendation, viz.: "That all Students pass an Examination in General Education before

they commence their Professional Studies," and of Recommendations 6, 8, 9 & 10, which tend to confirm the first, and to arrange the method of carrying it into effect.

The Faculty accord their approval to the principle set forth in Recommendation 2—"That the time of commencing Professional Studies shall be understood to be the time of commencing Studies at a Medical School;" and they should like to see a law to this effect adopted by all the Bodies named in Schedule (A). They understand, however, that a system of Medical Education is pursued to a considerable extent in England, which, for a time at least, would render the stringent adoption of this Recommendation inconvenient and even unfair to existing arrangements; under which circumstances it may be expedient in the meantime to permit some such modification as that suggested in the Resolution of the Medical Council at p. 5 of Minute 51. But the Faculty hope, should a year of pupilage be admitted as a year of study, it will be enacted at no distant period, that such pupilage cannot be entered upon till after two Sessions of Professional Study, which Sessions ought to have been occupied in acquiring a knowledge of the elementary branches of Medical Science at a regularly-established School of Medicine, and without which elementary knowledge the term of pupilage would be spent with very little profit.

In regard to Recommendation No. 3, the Faculty are of opinion that great facilities ought to be granted to Students for obtaining testimonials of proficiency in General Education, and therefore they would recognise the National and other Educational Bodies enumerated in this Recommendation *as Examining Boards.* But looking to the great want of uniformity which exists, as to the nature and extent of knowledge in literature, philosophy and science required, to pass the Examination of these various Bodies, and that in some cases they do not embrace the subjects best adapted for the general education of a youth about to commence the study of Medicine, the Faculty would suggest, that instead of leaving the subjects of Examination so undefined, as in Recommendations 3, 5 & 7, the Medical Council might with much advantage lay down a minimum standard of General Education, and exact from every Student who is not a Graduate in Arts of a recognised University, previous to commencing his Medical Studies, a certificate from one of the Bodies named in Recommendation 3, or from the Special Board of Examiners in Arts of one of the Licensing Bodies, as provided for in No. 6; that he has passed satisfactorily an Examination on the subjects prescribed by the General Medical Council, to be distinguished by some such name as "The Registration Examination for Medical Students."

The Faculty do not consider it necessary to offer any detailed reasons for pressing this view on the General Medical Council. The subject has been fully discussed in the able Report on Education by the King and Queen's College of Physicians. (*See* Minute of Council, 49, pp. 6 and 8.) In the opinions on Preliminary Education stated in that report the Faculty very generally concur.

The Faculty would beg the Medical Council to consider if, as recommended in No. 4, it is necessary or prudent to commit themselves to the principle of denuding many of the Licensing Bodies of the privilege of conducting the Examination in General Education. The method recommended in No. 6 for conducting this examination by "a Special Board of Examiners," with the other provisions for securing its efficiency there set forth, are, in the opinion of the Faculty, a sufficient guarantee that it will be as thoroughly and strictly carried out by the Licensing Bodies as by any of the Institutions recognised in No. 3 of the Recommendations; at all events, it might be well to pause till it is ascertained by experience that the Examinations of the National Educational Bodies fully meet all the requirements of the case.

The length of time which ought to be devoted by the Student to Professional Study has engaged the attention of the Faculty, bearing in mind the tendency (of which the Faculty highly approve) to lessen the number and shorten the duration of courses of lectures on professional subjects which students at present are obliged to attend, the Faculty have come to the conclusion that the term of Professional Study should include four Winter Sessions of six months each, leaving the details to the Licensing Bodies. By such a regulation, every Student would require to extend his studies over a period of at least three years and a-half—certainly not more than sufficient to enable him to acquire a scientific and practical knowledge of the numerous branches of Medicine and the collateral sciences, adequate to fit him for undertaking independently the responsible duties of his profession.

The number of Students who commence their Professional Education by attending Summer Courses, the Faculty believe to be very limited; and the elementary branches, as a rule, not being fully taught during Summer, an enactment obliging every Student to date the commencement of his studies from a Winter Session, would surely be no great hardship.

A course of *four years'* study necessarily implies that a Student must pass the last six months in a state of comparative idleness, as the Medical Schools are only open for three months of this time. Besides, in the great majority of cases, the Student will have attended all the

lectures, and fulfilled all the conditions required by the Licensing Board to which he intends to apply for his Diploma, by the end of the fourth Winter Session. Surely, under the circumstances, no benefit can accrue from requiring a Student to wait from May till October before he can apply to be examined.

Should this suggestion of four Winter Sessions be adopted, a necessary sequence would be to allow the first part of the Professional Examination to be undergone at the termination of the second Winter Session.

The Faculty really cannot see any practical good that is to result from Recommendation 24, as it at present stands, requiring every Candidate to sign a statement, declaring whether he has or has not been rejected by any of the Examining Boards within three months. They are inclined to view this as inquisitorial, and are of opinion that it might have the effect of a Candidate being subjected (unconsciously, it may be, on the part of the Examiner) to more than a fair and strict examination. If it is thought advisable that the Examining Boards should have such information, the Faculty would prefer that the names of rejected Candidates be communicated by the Boards to each other, and that it be made public that this is done, which, to some extent, might prevent Students from passing from one Board to another, and, at all events, would spare them the humiliation of personally announcing their rejection.

(Signed) CHARLES RITCHIE, M.D.
President.

FACULTY OF PHYSICIANS & SURGEONS, GLASGOW,
9th December, 1863.

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN,
April 2nd, 1864.

SIR,

In reply to your communication, of date October 1863, I herewith transmit a copy of the Regulations of this University, relative to Medical graduation. These Regulations are framed in accordance with the ordinance of the Scottish Universities' Commissioners, of date March 16th, 1861, which received the approval of Her Majesty in Council.

In regard to the Resolutions agreed to by the Medical Council in June 1863, with respect to which the Council desires to learn the opinion of this University, I am to state that, in the opinion of the Senatus Academicus, none of the subjects of study at present embraced in the Medical Curriculum of the University can with propriety be omitted.

The Council will perceive, that while some of the Licensing Bodies require attendance on duplicate Courses of Lectures, the Regulations of this University require attendance on one course only in each subject.

With reference to the number of Lectures in each Course, I may mention that the method pursued in this University is for each Medical Class to meet on five days in the week; on four of these occasions for lecturing, the instruction being made as demonstrative as possible, with the aid of the Museums and the Practical Departments connected with the several classes; and on the fifth day for examination, oral or written. The weekly Class Examinations are held with the view of securing the steady application of the Students, not as a substitute for Pass Examinations for the Degrees conferred by the University, and a record is preserved of the results.

The Senatus Academicus is of opinion that the Courses of Lectures on Midwifery and on Materia Medica—at present Six Months' Courses in the Scottish Universities—might be reduced to Three Months' Courses, in the event of the proposal being concurred in by the other Universities of Scotland.

The Senatus Academicus approves of the Resolution of the Council, that the commencement of Professional Study should date from the commencement of attendance at a Medical School; and that apprenticeship or pupilage previous to this ought not to be reckoned for one of the four years of Medical Study. Pupilage must be useless before the Student has acquired a knowledge of the structure and functions of the human body, and worse than useless when it has been the means of occupying time which ought to have been devoted to general education. The Senatus Academicus are of opinion that, after a liberal general education has been in the first place required, Medical Education ought to combine a thorough scientific and practical training, extending over not less than four years, and occupying at least six months of each year, at a School of Medicine, at which the Student has access to Dissecting Rooms, Laboratories, Museums, Libraries, Hospitals, and Dispensaries, and where the education is conducted by teachers who devote themselves largely to their departments.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient, humble Servant,

(Signed) DAVID THOMSON,

Secretary.

FRANCIS HAWKINS, Esq.,

Registrar, General Council of

Medical Education and Registration.

Extract from MINUTES *of the* SENATUS ACADEMICUS *of the* UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH, *of date 26th March*, 1864.

The following Report of the Medical Faculty was read:—

The Medical Faculty of the University of Edinburgh have considered the Recommendations and Resolutions of the General Medical Council on Education.

They have forwarded to the General Medical Council a copy of the Statutes of the University, relative to Degrees in Medicine, along with a copy of the University Calendar for 1863-64.

The Faculty call attention to Clause 2 of the Statutes, in which it is recommended that the Preliminary Examination in Arts should be undergone, as far as possible, prior to the commencement of Medical study. In this particular, the Statutes differ from the Regulations proposed by the Medical Council. While the Faculty agree with the Council in their desire to make the Examination in Arts truly preliminary to Medical study, they find that this is a measure which cannot be enforced at once. There are still some Students who postpone this Examination, either in whole or in part. The number of such cases, however, is small, and will no doubt rapidly diminish in future, so as to enable the Faculty to carry the Resolution into full effect at an early date.

There is one portion of the Preliminary Examination for M.D., in which the Faculty desire a change, and that is in reference to Logic and Moral Philosophy. One or other of these subjects is imperatively required by the Statutes, from all Candidates for the Degree of M.D. The Faculty think, that while English, Latin, Arithmetic, Mathematics and Algebra, Mechanics, Greek, should be demanded from all Candidates for the Degree of M.D., as regards the other subjects mentioned in the Statutes, viz., French, German, Higher Mathematics, Natural Philosophy, Logic, Moral Philosophy, Candidates should have the option of taking any two of them. In this way, allowance would be made for the special tastes of the Candidates, as regards languages, Physical Science, and Mental Philosophy.

The Faculty take the liberty of submitting the following remarks in regard to the Resolutions of the General Medical Council, submitted for their consideration.

Resolution 1. The Faculty recommend that Preliminary Examinations in Arts, which qualify for any of the Licensing Bodies in this country, should be taken as *ad eundem* Examinations for this University, in so far as these Examinations embrace the subjects required by the Statutes. The Medical Faculty, however, are prevented from carrying out this by an Ordinance of the Scottish Universities Commissioners; and before such

a measure could be adopted, it must receive the sanction of the University Court, the Chancellor, and the Privy Council.

Resolution 2. The Faculty have always considered the commencement of Medical Studies as being marked by attendance on classes at a Medical School, and not by apprenticeship. Four anni Medici are required for the Degree of M.B. and C.M., each annus being constituted by at least two Six Months' Courses of Lectures, or one Six Months' and two Three Months' Courses. In the present state of the Curriculum, no one can acquire a Degree in Medicine without studying for at least four Winter Sessions and one Summer Session, at a Medical School. Apprenticeship to a regular Member of the Medical Profession, holding the appointment of Surgeon to a Hospital, General Dispensary, or Union Workhouse, is considered by this University as equivalent to a Course of Practical Pharmacy, and to Dispensary Practice, as required in the Statutes, provided the Student brings a certificate, to the effect that he has compounded drugs for a period of three months, and that he has attended and prescribed for patients during six months.

Resolution 3. The system of Education pursued at this University has always been so constituted as to allow the Students to combine systematic instructions at the classes, with practical study at hospitals, dispensaries, &c. The lectures on Medicine and the fundamental sciences are delivered chiefly in the winter months. Hence, the Students have the three autumn months, and a great part of the three summer months, at their own disposal, either for studying Medical and Surgical practice at hospitals and dispensaries in town or country, or for practical instruction in other branches of Medical study. The Students take advantage largely of the opportunities of self-education. The University, after long experience, are unwilling to alter a system which has hitherto worked very well, without more satisfactory information than they now possess, as to the comparative merits of any other method.

The Faculty believe that the labour of Students may be much diminished by passing the Examinations on Chemistry, Botany, and Natural History at an early part of their Curriculum; and it is a matter of consideration, whether the Examinations on Botany and Natural History might not be made preliminary to proper Medical study.

(Signed) J. H. BALFOUR,
Dean of the Medical Faculty.

The Senatus agreed to this Report, and instructed the Secretary to send a copy of it to the Registrar of the General Medical Council.

Extracted by PHILIP KELLAND,
Secretary to the Senatus.

March 26th, 1864.

GLASGOW COLLEGE,
25th March, 1864.

SIR,

At a Meeting of Senate held 24th March, 1864, Dr. GAIRDNER read a Report by the Medical Faculty, on the subjects referred to in the letter of the Registrar of the General Medical Council, referred by the Senate to the Medical Faculty for their consideration. The Report is as follows:—

"The Medical Faculty of the University of Glasgow, having considered the Resolutions of the General Medical Council of June 1863, as transmitted to the University for their opinion, and having also considered a Special Minute of the General Medical Council, bearing date June 3, 1863, involving certain other questions to be submitted to the different Licensing Boards, beg to report as follows:—

"I. *The* ad eundem *principle in the granting of Degrees and Licences.* —The Medical Faculty highly appreciate the importance of simplifying the work of Medical Examination, and will give careful consideration to any suggestion from the Medical Council to that effect; but they are not prepared to state that at present any practical scheme occurs to them for extending the *ad eundem* principle beyond the limits of the Universities.

"II. *Reduction in amount of Courses of Lectures.* — The Medical Faculty are not prepared to advise the omission of any Course from the University Curriculum; but have agreed to recommend that the subjects of Materia Medica and Midwifery should be taught in Three Months' Courses of Lectures, instead of Six Months' Courses, as heretofore.

"It is to be observed, that any positive step towards giving effect to these Recommendations, can emanate only from the University Court—the Statutes of the late Universities Commissioners having fixed both the Curriculum of Study and the Course of Examination for all the Universities of Scotland. The Recommendations of the Medical Faculty, therefore, even if approved by the Senatus Academicus, will only form an indicative for the Medical Council, of the opinion of a certain portion of the governing body of the University, as to the changes which might be beneficially introduced."

The Senate approved the Report, and instructed the Clerk to transmit a copy of the same to the Registrar of the General Medical Council.

I remain, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) DUN. H. WEIR,
Clerk of Senate.

FRANCIS HAWKINS, Esq., M.D.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN IRELAND,
Dublin, March 17th, 1864.

SIR,

In reply to your communication, dated October 1863, but not received until February 1864*, I am directed by the President and Council to enclose a copy of the Regulations now in force relative to the Education and Examination of Candidates for the Licence and Fellowship of this College, as altered and revised since the receipt of the Recommendations of the General Council. I also transmit herewith, copies of proceedings of the Council with regard to the same subject since the passing of the Medical Act, as well as copies of the Charters Bye-Laws, Ordinances, and Regulations of the College from time to time enacted since its foundation, "to establish a liberal and extensive system of Surgical Education in this country."

With respect to the contemplated measures to reduce the standard of Surgical Education, or to curtail the Curriculum or Course of Study prescribed for Candidates seeking the Licence of the College, I am directed to state that the President and Council cannot agree to any proposal having such objects in view.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) JAS. STANNUS HUGHES, M.D.
Secretary of Council.

To FRANCIS HAWKINS, Esq., M.D.
Registrar, General Medical Council.

THE APOTHECARIES' HALL OF IRELAND,
Dublin, 6th November, 1863.

SIR,

I had the honour to receive your letter of the 29th of October, conveying the request of the Executive Committee of the General Medical Council, "that in conformity with 18th section of the Medical Act, the Apothecaries' Hall, Dublin, will be pleased to furnish the Council with a copy of their present Regulations relative to Education and Examination," and further, "if in any respects these Regulations differ from the Recommendations of the Council, that the Council may be favoured with such observations or explanations as the Apothecaries' Hall may deem fit to offer."

* [It was forwarded in the month of October 1863, to the President of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, and a duplicate of it was also sent in February.—REGISTRAR OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL.]

You also call the attention of the Apothecaries' Hall to certain Resolutions of the Council, agreed to in June 1863, "which demand the consideration of the Bodies named in Schedule (A) to the Medical Act," and "concerning which the Executive Committee requests to be favoured with the opinion of the Apothecaries' Hall, Dublin."

In reply I beg herewith to transmit copies of the Regulations of the Hall, and to observe that they are entirely in conformity with the Recommendations of the Medical Council, and are literally carried out, with the exception of Nos. 11, 13, and 24—the former two of which refer to the Registration of Medical Students, and the last to the requirement of a statement from Candidates for Examination, as to whether they have been rejected by other Examining Boards.

The Hall considers that the duty of registering Medical Students, and of making returns to the Branch Councils, properly devolves upon the Medical Schools, in whose lists all Medical Students must be enrolled. Besides, a register, as recommended by the Council, had been opened by the Hall; but Students found it more convenient to enter at the Schools, and did not avail themselves of it. And as to requiring such a statement from Candidates as that referred to in the 24th Recommendation, the Hall is disinclined, upon moral grounds, to act upon it.

With respect to "the Resolutions" which have been submitted for the opinion of the Hall, I am to state, as to—

No. 1. That the Hall approves of the *ad eundem* principle in the granting of Degrees and Licences, and has long since acted upon this principle in conferring *its* Licence.

No. 2. That the Hall is decidedly in favour of *one* of the four years of Professional Study being spent as suggested by this Resolution, inasmuch as it would facilitate the acquirement of a practical knowledge of ordinary diseases, and impart a habit of self-reliance; but the Hall is of opinion that such year of pupilage should not be conducted during the first year, but at some period during the subsequent years of Professional Study.

No. 3. That the Hall is entirely in accord with the sentiments expressed under this head, and believes that "the number of courses and of lectures in particular courses" might be reduced with advantage.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) THOMAS COLLINS,
Governor.

To THE REGISTRAR OF THE
GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL, &c.

MEDICAL SCHOOL, TRINITY COLLEGE,
Dublin, 18*th Nov.*, 1863.

SIR,

In reply to your letter of the 29th October, I am directed to give you the following information respecting our Medical School. The printed paper enclosed contains our Regulations for Licences in Medicine and Surgery, and for Degrees in the same; from which it will appear that our qualification in Arts for all Licences and Degrees is in conformity with the Recommendations of the General Medical Council. By the School of Physic Act, any Student of Medicine may matriculate in Medicine without doing so in Arts, on payment of a small fee; but in practice, it invariably happens that all our Students in Medicine have passed some Arts Examination recognised by the General Medical Council. With respect to the Previous Examination, the Board of Trinity College highly approve of such an Examination, as it is in conformity with their practice in Divinity, Law, and Engineering; and they have therefore established a Previous Examination in Medicine, and encourage their Students to attend it, by giving Scholarships as prizes at this Examination, and by granting other privileges to those Students who have passed it. This Previous Examination is, however, not compulsory.

With respect to Resolution No. 1, I have to observe that the University of Dublin recognises no other Universities but those of Oxford and Cambridge as entitled to demand *ad eundem* Degrees in any Faculty.

On Resolution No. 2, the University has no suggestion to offer.

With regard to Resolution No. 3, I would observe that our lectures are regulated by the School of Physic Act, and are therefore only in part under the control of the University authorities.

I shall be happy to furnish you with any additional information you may require.

I have the honour to remain,
Your obedient Servant,
(Signed) SAML. HAUGHTON,
Registrar of the Med. Sch.

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS,
&c. &c.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY, DUBLIN CASTLE,
Feb. 22, 1864.

SIR,

In reply to your letter of the 30th of October, 1863, I am desired to say, that the Senate of the Queen's University in Ireland are anxious to embrace every opportunity of effectually promoting the non-

professional training of Candidates for the Degrees in Medicine of this University, but are not, under all the circumstances of the case, prepared to give effect to that Resolution of the Medical Council which recommends that the entire of our Arts Course should be required of them.

By our existing rules, such a proportion of Arts or non-professional instruction, as, in the opinion of the Senate, can successfully be insisted on, forms a part of the Medical Curriculum. But to demand of Medical Students to pursue the whole of so onerous an Arts Course as that of this University, would involve a more protracted education than the Senate is willing to impose, and especially as there do not appear to be any means of securing a uniformity of practice in this respect, on the part of all the Universities of the Kingdom.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) G. JOHNSTONE STONEY,

Secretary.

FRANCIS HAWKINS, ESQ., M.D.,

Registrar.

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13. Dr. EMBLETON presented the Report of the Committee on the Returns from the Licensing Bodies:

REPORT.

The Council having directed that the Table of Returns under the 23rd Recommendation of the Council, viz.:

> "That Returns from the Licensing Bodies in Schedule (A) be made Annually on the 1st of January, and in the subjoined Form, to the General Medical Council, stating the Number and Names of the Candidates who have passed their First as well as their Second Examinations, and the Number of those who have been rejected at the First and Second Examinations respectively; and that the Registrar forward a sufficient number of Forms, with a notice for their being returned, in due time,"

shall be the only Table at present prepared by the Committee on account of the revision and alteration of the Recommendations of

the Council on Medical Education, your Committee beg to lay that Table, with an explanatory Note appended, before the Council.

D. EMBLETON,
Chairman.

TABLE OF RETURNS UNDER RECOMMENDATION 23.

LICENSING BODIES.	PASSED.		REJECTED.	
	1st Examin. Number.	2nd Examin. Number.	1st Examin. Number.	2nd Examin. Number.
R. Coll. Phys. London . .	73	74	17	20
R. Coll. Phys. Edinburgh .	151	146	22	14
K. Q. Coll. Phys. Ireland .	..	66	..	17
R. Coll. Surg. England . .	465	485	128	53
R. Coll. Surg. Edinburgh .	142	121	34	11
Fac. Phys. Surg. Glasgow .	17	76	2	25
R. Coll. Surg. Ireland . .	138	138	36	36
Soc. Apothecaries, London .	323	305	34	8
Apothecaries' Hall, Dublin .	23	20	5	3
University of Oxford . .	3	..	1	..
„ Cambridge .	4	5	..	..
„ Durham . .	..	..	..	..
„ * London . .	21	24	16	..
„ Edinburgh .	(1st) 67 (2nd)82	.. (3rd) 82	(1st) 32 (2nd) 6	.. (3rd) 2
„ Aberdeen .	(1st) 39 (2nd)37	.. (3rd) 32	(1st) 3 (2nd)11	.. (3rd) 9
„ Glasgow . .	59	70	12	8
„ St. Andrews .	10	..	1	..
„ Dublin . .	12	37	2	8
Queen's University, Ireland	42	26	13	8
	1708	1707	375	222

* By the Regulations of the University of London (*see* Calendar, 1864, page 106), the First Examination for the Degree of M.B. includes four subjects, viz.: Anatomy, Physiology, Materia Medica and Pharmaceutical Chemistry, and Organic Chemistry; but Candidates for this Examination are permitted to defer the subject of Physiology to a following year.

The List headed "Entire" contains the names of those Undergraduates who elected to pass the Examination in all four subjects at once in 1863.

That headed "Excluding Physiology" contains the names of those who elected to be examined in three subjects in 1863, and to defer the fourth, viz., Physiology, to a future year.

That headed "Physiology only" contains the names of those who, having elected to pass in a former year in three subjects, passed in 1863 in Physiology.

Moved by Mr. ARNOTT; *Seconded* by Mr. COOPER; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report be received and entered on the Minutes."

14. Dr. Embleton presented the Report of the Committee appointed to Revise the Standing Orders.

REPORT.

The Committee on the Standing Orders and Regulations having arranged and numbered them, beg to lay them before the Council, and recommend that they be printed.

An alteration has been made in the "Scale of Travelling Expenses," substituting for

Leeds	£4	4	0
AND			
Worcester	4	4	0

the following:

Cheltenham	4	4	0
Southampton	2	2	0

D. EMBLETON,
Chairman.

Moved by Dr. Embleton; *Seconded* by Dr. Apjohn; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report of the Committee on the Standing Orders be received and adopted."

15. *Moved* by Dr. A. Smith, and *Seconded* by Dr. Corrigan:

"That the decision on the Resolution moved by Dr. Smith, and seconded by Dr. Corrigan, in the early part of this day, was informal; inasmuch as 'the Previous Question' was put without the Amendments on such Resolution being permitted to be considered."

The Motion was *Negatived.*

16. *Moved* by Dr. Sharpey; *Seconded* by Dr. Auqilla Smith; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Pharmacopœia Committee be authorised to draw on the Treasurers, to an extent not exceeding £100, for expenses which may be incurred in carrying out the objects of its appointment."

17. *Moved* by Dr. SHARPEY; *Seconded* by Dr. STORRAR; and *Agreed to:*

"That the cordial thanks of the Council be tendered to Dr. HAWKINS, for the unremitting care and attention he has bestowed on the business of the Council for the five years he has discharged the duties of Secretary; and that £105 be now presented to him in acknowledgment of the sense which the Council entertains of his valuable services."

18. *Moved* by Dr. ACLAND; *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD: and *Agreed to:*

"That the Report of the Select Committee on Education be forwarded to the various Bodies in Schedule (A), with a Letter from the Registrar, to the effect that the Report is under the consideration of the Council, and calling their attention to the suggestions of the Report, and soliciting their observations thereon; also, distinguishing the Resolutions which have been adopted by the Council from those which have not yet been considered; and that it be referred to the Executive Committee to carry this Resolution into effect."

19. *Moved* by Dr. SMITH; *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That the Standing Order as to the Hour of Adjournment be suspended."

20. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD, and *Seconded* by Dr. A. SMITH:

"That the powers and duties delegated to the Executive Committee, in accordance with Sect. IX. of the Medical Act, shall be vested in the Committee until the next Meeting of the General Medical Council."

21. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. AQUILLA SMITH; and *Agreed to:*

"That the thanks of the Council are due, and are hereby tendered, to the Treasurers, Dr. SHARPEY and Dr. QUAIN, for their important services."

22. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. AQUILLA SMITH; and *Agreed to:*

"That the thanks of this Council are eminently due, and are hereby offered, to the Royal College of Physicians, London, for their obliging and courteous accommodation during the present Session of the Medical Council."

23. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Dr. AQUILLA SMITH: and *Agreed to:*

"That a Gratuity of Fifteen Guineas be given to the Resident Officials of the College of Physicians, for services rendered to the Council."

24. *Moved* by Dr. A. SMITH; *Seconded* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; and *Agreed to:*

"That a Gratuity of Ten Guineas be given to Mr. BELL, and the same to Mr. ROOPE, the Clerks, in consideration of their extra services during the present lengthened Session of the General Medical Council."

25. *Moved* by Dr. ANDREW WOOD; *Seconded* by Mr. ARNOTT; and *Agreed to:*

"That the thanks of the Council are cordially tendered to the President for his kind, courteous, and efficient services during the present Session of the General Medical Council."

Confirmed—GEORGE BURROWS,
President.

(*No.* 70.)

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF

MEDICAL EDUCATION & REGISTRATION.

MINUTES OF ADJOURNED MEETING, SATURDAY, MAY 7, 1864.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, LONDON.

Present—

Dr. BURROWS, *President*, in the Chair.

Dr. ALDERSON.
Mr. ARNOTT.
Mr. COOPER.
Dr. EMBLETON.
Dr. STORRAR.
Dr. ANDREW WOOD.
Dr. THOMSON.
Dr. A. SMITH.
Dr. APJOHN.
Dr. CORRIGAN.
Dr. SHARPEY.
Dr. QUAIN.
Dr. STOKES.

Dr. FRANCIS HAWKINS, *Registrar*.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.